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TELEGRAMS.

Another Rochefort Demonstration in Paris.

Increase of the Garrison of the City.

The Duke of Genoa Indorsed by the Court of Italy.

MR. PEABODY'S LAST BEQUEST.

A Hundred and Fifty Thousand Pounds for the London Poor.

More "Reports" about Lopez and His Situation.

FRANCE.

Monster Republican Meeting at the Capital—Increase of the Military Forces in Paris—Movements of the Empress.

PARIS, Nov. 13.—Last night another monster demonstration in favor of HENRI ROCHEFORT was held in the streets. The people were not disturbed by the Police.

The garrison of the city will be immediately augmented by two regiments of cavalry.

CAIRO, Nov. 13.—The Empress EUGENIE, who has been in this city for a few days past, departed for Alexandria to-day.

SPAIN.

Italy on the Spanish Throne Question—Rumors of Deputy Grunne—Topete an Envoy of the Cortes—Arrest of a Bishop.

MADRID, Nov. 13.—It is reported that the Spanish Government to-day received a dispatch from Florence stating that the entire Italian Cabinet approve of the candidature of the Duke of GENOA.

Señor ORENSE, one of the Republican Deputies, who was recently arrested, has been unconditionally released. He has gone to France. It is said that the Government contemplates releasing all the political prisoners who have not been accused of criminal acts.

MADRID, Nov. 13.—Admiral TOPETE has been elected Vice-President of the Constitutional Cortes.

MADRID, Nov. 13.—The Bishop of Havana has been arrested at Cadiz.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The Last Gift of George Peabody—The London Poor Receive £150,000—Removed Opposition to the New Bishop of Exeter.

LONDON, Nov. 13.—A few days previous to his death Mr. PEABODY gave an extra £100,000 to the Peabody Fund.

Meetings have been called to organize opposition to the confirmation of Mr. TEMPLE as Bishop of Exeter.

The political news to-day is unimportant.

PARAGUAY.

Movements of Lopez—Precarious Situation of a Portion of the Allied Forces—A New Conspiracy—Reports of Desertion.

LISBON, Nov. 13.—The regular mail steamer from Rio Janeiro, which arrived to-day, brings the following news from Paragua:

One hundred and thirty-three Brazilian soldiers had been surrounded by President LOPEZ's force at Curuguaty. The Prince D'EU had started from Rosario with a portion of his army to attempt their release.

A new conspiracy had been formed against LOPEZ in consequence of the number of executions ordered by him.

Several Paraguayan officers had come into the Allied lines. They all describe the position of LOPEZ as desperate.

CUBA.

The Havana Spanish Organ on the Situation—Cuba "Loyal."

HAVANA, Nov. 13.—The *Diario*, (newspaper,) this morning, has an editorial article wherein it says that "the existence of any anti-Spanish element in Cuba is abnormal and transitory. The enemies of Spain could not remain there. There are but two elements of population—Spaniards and foreigners."

The *Diario* classes the Cubans who favor the Spanish cause as Spaniards.

THE WEST.

The Western Free Trade Meeting—Pre-Emption Party Called to Assume—Heavy Land Sales in Kansas—The Tailors Strike in Chicago—Case of the Bloomington Charged with Murder.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 13.—G. B. STEBBINS, of Detroit, Genius making the assertion, as charged by Professor PERRY in his speech on Monday night, that free trade had reduced one in twenty of the population of England to pauperism. He says he simply quoted from the NEW-YORK TIMES. He did not make the statement on his own authority.

The sales of the National Land Company for the past year, consisting mainly of lands along the Kansas Pacific Railway, amounted to 147,821 acres, yielding $224,324. Of these lands 30,000 acres on the Kansas Pacific Road were bought by a colony of twelve hundred English families who have founded the Village of Wakefield, Kansas, and have established near there an agricultural college and school for the reception and education of orphan boys from the London School and Farm, under the control and fostered by the Reform Society of London, of which Earl SHAFTSBURY is the President.

Three thousand Swedish, Norwegian and Danish emigrants, land buyers and settlers, and a large number of actual settlers from other countries, have been placed on Western lands by the Company during the year.

CHICAGO, Nov. 13.—The journeymen tailors of this city inaugurated a formal strike this morning, in pursuance of an agreement made last night. Some of the bosses yielded to the demands of the journeymen, and the men continued at their work.

A dispatch has been received from Geneva announcing the acquittal of Rev. ISAAC R. SMITH, charged with murdering his wife by drowning her.

The Trustees of the Philadelphia Medical School—Both Sides Attend a Lecture Without Disturbance.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 13.—At a medical lecture in the Pennsylvania Hospital this morning a class of thirty-nine ladies were present, with 169 male students. The first case examined was that of a boy, with typhoid fever, and the case was followed by cases of lead palsy, (sexile,) hysteric palsy, (female,) bloody vomiting, (female,) and heart disease, (male.) The lecture was delivered by Dr. HUNT, and included many interesting cases, with the partial amputation of the foot of a man crushed by a car. Upon the conclusion of the lecture, the class, which had preserved perfect order throughout, left the hall quietly, and without a demonstration of any kind.

WASHINGTON.

Official Honors to Walker and Kendall—Improvement in the Capitol Grounds—Occupation of the President—Donations to the Smithsonian Institute—Miscellaneous.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 13.—The Treasury and Post-Office Departments were closed to-day in respect to the memory of ROBERT J. WALKER and AMOS KENDALL, and of course there was no business transacted at either of those branches of the public service.

THE CAPITOL GROUNDS IMPROVEMENTS.

For some months past workmen have been engaged on the Capitol grounds, and considerable improvements have been made on both the north and south sides of the Capitol. The work is not, however, more than one-half finished, but further operations will have to be stopped in consequence of the exhaustion of the appropriation.

BUSINESS AT THE WHITE HOUSE.

Among the visitors to the President to-day were Ex-Minister WEBB, Ex-Governor POLLOCK, Superintendent of the Philadelphia Mint, and Hon. CHAS. O'NEILL, of Philadelphia. At noon the White House was closed to visitors, and the President devoted himself to the dispatch of the business on hand. His time is now pretty thoroughly occupied, as the number of official visitors is daily increasing and the time for the preparation of his Message is rapidly approaching. The latter involves the preparation and consideration of much data beforehand, and this the President devotes himself to in a very practical and business-like manner.

THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTE—A DONATION.

The Smithsonian Institute has received a rare contribution—nothing less than a veritable mummy, unearthed by one of the Peruvian earthquakes, brought hither and presented by Señor DON ANTONIO MILLAN, who was to-day presented to the President by a letter from General HOVEY, our Minister to Peru. It will form a rare curiosity at the Smithsonian.

MOVEMENTS OF SECRETARY BOUTWELL.

Secretary BOUTWELL went North last evening, and will return next week with his family to remain for the Winter.

THE EXAMINATION OF GENERAL WEBB.

The examination of General WEBB, by the House Foreign Affairs Sub-Committee, was continued to-day, but no important testimony was taken.

A SNOW STORM.

The weather here to-day has been exceedingly unpleasant. There were indications of snow in the morning. In fact a few stray flakes, the first of the season, fell, but they soon changed to rain, and to-night there is a slight hail.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

FUNERAL OF THE LATE ROBERT J. WALKER.

The funeral of the late ROBERT J. WALKER took place at noon to-day, and was attended by a large number of citizens, including a great many members of the Bar. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Mr. CHEW, of St. Alban's Church, of this District. The President's family were represented by Mrs. GRANT, General F. C. DENT, and Mr. DENT, the father of Mrs. GRANT. Messrs. FISH, BORDSON and COX, of the Cabinet, were also present, as well as a large number of other distinguished gentlemen, many of whom have occupied prominent official positions in this District. A heavy snow storm prevailed at the time the funeral moved from the house, and still continues. The remains are to be interred at Oak Hill Cemetery, Georgetown. The President was unable to attend the funeral on account of business engagements.

CURRENCY STATEMENT.

Mutilated currency and bank notes destroyed during the week	$200,423
Bank currency issued for bills destroyed	189,000
Balance due for mutilated notes	310,436
Bank circulation outstanding at this date	299,681,715

THE M'GARRAHAN CASE.

The Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, in General Term, took up the case of McGARRAHAN vs. BROWNING. The Court had given a judgment awarding the Lapanache Grande Rancho in California, embracing over 17,000 acres, in which are included the new Idria quicksilver mines to McGARRAHAN. This judgment was rendered on the 6th of July, 1869, and entered as of the 6th of February, the same year, in accordance with a stipulation between the counsel. On July 9 a writ of *mandamus* was issued and served on Secretary COX. On July 13 the amount of money required under the judgments, $22,210, was tendered by McGARRAHAN, when the Secretary declined to accept it, alleging it was an unwarrantable interference on the part of the Court to issue the said writ. The case now comes before the Court on motion by the counsel for the Secretary, Mr. ASHFORD, to quash the judgment. [illegible] The judgment of [illegible] regularly entered up in the docket, at [illegible] what may be in the judgment cannot be inquired into on this motion. If there is a judgment, and if the Court had jurisdiction of the parties, the motion must be denied.

Second—Immediately after the judgment had been entered, Mr. CARRINGTON, appearing in his official character as United States District-Attorney, entered an appeal in the case. By this appeal the case was transferred from this Court to the Supreme Court of the United States, and the power of this Court over the case was ended. It is true an appeal was not the process by which such a case could be removed, so that the Supreme Court could hear it; nevertheless whenever the process was adopted, it transferred the case to that jurisdiction, and it is subject to that authority. A writ of error has the effect of removing a case the very moment it is filed in the Clerk's office, and the law subjects appeals and writs of error to the same provisions and limitations, and the appeal therefrom removes the case the very moment it is taken. It is not denied that appeals from a Circuit Court to be perfected must be allowed by the Court, but under the organic law of this Court an appeal is an absolute right, and need not be allowed by the Court.

Third—The objection that the judgment is a judgment against BROWNING and his successors in office, and that the *mandamus* is directed to Mr. COX, the present Secretary, who was not a party, is without force. If the duty which the *mandamus* requires to be performed had been a duty required of BROWNING personally, then the suit would abate on his retiring from office. But the duty required by the *mandamus* and by the law on which the *mandamus* is founded, is a duty required not of the individual in the office as an individual, but a duty required of the Secretary of the Interior, whoever he may be. If the duty is not purely ministerial, it is admitted the *mandamus* should not have been issued; but that question is not before the Court. The Court when it entered the judgment, determined and settled that the duty which the petition sought to coerce by *mandamus* was not judicial but ministerial; if the Court erred in this they must review the decision in the Supreme Court on appeal, if they think they can get there that way, or in some other way they may think proper to adopt.

Fourth—The judgment is not invalid by being entered in vacation. This was done on agreement of counsel, who, after having argued the question, stipulated that the Court might enter the judgment at any time as of the date of the term at which the argument was made.

Mr. MERRICK sustained his position by argument and by reciting several authorities. Mr. DAVIDSON followed Mr. MERRICK in an able argument founded on the same points as given above. Mr. ASHFORD closed the argument for the Secretary, and the case was rested. The Court, however, reserved its decision. The Court will not meet again for two weeks.

Disastrous Fire in Baltimore, Md.—A Railway Contractor the Loser in New-Hampshire.

BALTIMORE, Md., Nov. 13.—A fire occurred last night in No. 26 South Howard-street. The first story of the building was occupied by RUTHERFORD, ALGER & CO., boots and shoes; loss, $20,000; fully insured. The second, third and fourth stories were occupied by EISHER, LAWRACH & Co., notion dealers. The stock was entirely destroyed; loss about $50,000, and is said to be fully insured. The building was owned by Mouns WEINSFIELD, and was damaged to the extent of $10,000; insured.

CONCORD, N. H., Nov. 13.—A barn at Jenner's Corner, in Epsom, occupied by the workmen in the employ of the Chelsea, Mass., contractor, on the Suncook Valley Railroad, was burned last night, together with eight horses, harness, and carts.

TENNESSEE.

The Legislative Conference Committee—Efforts to Effect a Compromise—A Newspaper Story About the Mississippi Election.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Nov. 13.—The second Committee of Conference to reconsider the disagreement between the Senate and House upon the Convention bill, reported this morning that they could not agree. Propositions were then made in both Houses instructing the Committee to report a compromise providing that the Convention shall be composed of seventy-five members, instead of fifty, as proposed by the Senate, and one hundred, as proposed by the House.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Nov. 13.—The *Avalanche* publishes a list of persons residing in Tennessee, who, it asserts, have been imported by General AMES into Mississippi as managers of the election there in the interest of the Radicals, and calls upon the authorities at Washington to interfere and prevent it.

THE TURF.

The Sixth Day of the Memphis Meeting—A Fine Day's Sport—The Race and the Attendance.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Nov. 13.—To-day was the fifth of the meeting of the Chickasaw Jockey Club. The Club stake, $1,000 or a goblet, dash of four miles; for all ages, subscription, $60, pay or play, the second horse to receive $100, was won by *Carrie Atherton*, who beat *Corsican*, *Kitty Pree* and *Crossland*. Time, 7:59.

The donation purse of $250, mile heats, for the Church Home, the pool seller adding his percentage and the Western Union Telegraph Office its receipts, was won by *Kilgour*. The following is the summary:

John Kilgour	1 1
Grand Duke Michael	2 2
Bettie Bay	3 3
Pat Cleburne	4 4

Time—1:52, 1:51¾.

The weather was delightful, and the attendance was good. Owing to the rains last night the track was heavy. In the first race *Corsican* was the favorite, and *Kilgour* in the second. The other races will be run on Monday.

Trotting on Union Course, L. I.

The following trots came off at the Union Course yesterday, the particulars of which may be learned from the summaries.

SUMMARY.

UNION COURSE, L. I., Nov. 12.—Match for $200, mile heats, best two in three in harness:

G. Allen's b. g. Riley	1	0	1 1 1
S. Sammis' br. m. Hannah	2	0	2 2 2

TIME.

	Quarter.	Half.	Mile.
First heat	44	1:26	2:53
Second heat	45	1:28	2:52
Third heat	46	1:31	2:54
Fourth heat	47	1:28	2:53
Fifth heat	Not taken.	Not taken.	2:53

SUMMARY.

UNION COURSE, L. I., Nov. 12.—Match, $100, mile heats, best two in three in harness.

A. H. Sammis' ch. g. No Name	1	1
E. Shaw's b. m. Wexy	2	2

Time—2:44, 2:52.

THE VETERAN GENERAL.

Funeral Services of General Wool in Troy Yesterday—Honors Paid to His Memory.

From the Troy Times of Last Evening.

The last sad solemnities are over, and all that was mortal of JOHN E. WOOL has been deposited in Oakwood. Those who have united in paying the last and tribute of respect to the dead here have finished their task, and he has been left alone in the companionship of the dead. Many came from other places to take their last well look at the dead hero, and these were to be seen those who had borne with him the battle's brunt, and had served under him at Chapultepec, Buenavista and Fortress Monroe.

General MEADE and staff arrived in the city from New-York at half o'clock this morning. They were met at the Union Depot by Major-General CARR and staff, and conducted in carriages to the Troy House. The party consisted of the following: Major-General George G. Meade, and staff of Brevet Brigadier-General R. O. Tyown, Brevet Major-General S. Van Vliet, Colonel H. C. Wright, Colonel J. F. Bruce, Captain H. J. Farnsworth, A. D. C., Captain James Humbert. Their place in the line of the procession was with the regular army and navy officers.

Governor HOFFMAN and Staff arrived from Albany about 10:30 A. M. General HAGNER received the following dispatch from Major-General IRVIN MCDOWELL, Commanding the Department of the East, who arrived at the Troy House this morning with Major R. C. FERRET and Captain J. H. CONTER:

NEW-YORK, Nov. 11.

To General Hagner, Commanding, &c., Troy:

I will send four companies of the First Artillery, with the band, and two companies of the First Infantry, and two companies of the Twenty-fifth Infantry, and Ransom and Brigadier-General Hunt and staff, at their request. I will attend the funeral with my personal staff. The troops will arrive Saturday morning, except those from Plattsburgh, which will arrive Friday.

IRVIN MCDOWELL,
Brevet Major-General Com'g, Dept. East.

General MCDOWELL was attached to General WOOL's staff during the Mexican war, and served with him in his celebrated march from San Antonio to Saltillo, and during the battle of Buena Vista. General ARNOLD was also a member of the deceased officer's military family. He arrived here yesterday afternoon from Plattsburg. Among the distinguished arrivals by the morning trains, were also Major Wm. J. Howell, U. S. A., Colonel G. I. Patten, U. S. A., Captain S. V. Benet, U. S. A., and Captain Charles Ewe, U. S. A. Mr. JOSEPH W. MOULTON, brother of Mrs. WOOL, also arrived at the Troy House this morning.

The remains were brought to St. Paul's Church this morning, and there lay in state. The coffin was placed in the centre porch, which had been previously overhung with the flag under which for half a century the deceased had fought, and under which he had served with an unselfish fidelity that few can claim. From 9 o'clock until 10:30 o'clock a vast crowd constantly passed in and out of the sacred edifice and took a final view of the face of their old friend. The arrangements for preventing the disorder and confusion incident to most crowds were admirable. At the south vestibule through which the people passed in, a squad of Police and a detachment of United States troops kept guard, while the guard of honor inside managed the affairs committed to their charge with strict attention to details. Having looked upon the remains, the people passed out through the north door. The crowd which constantly streamed in and out of the church seemed to be on the whole impressed with the solemnity of the occasion, which checked any light or trifling behavior. A few, however, apparently forgot the place and the character of the occasion, but they were promptly reminded of the grossness of their conduct by those standing near them.

The coffin bearing the body was tastefully decorated with flowing. At the head of the coffin was placed a magnificent floral crown emblematic of the crown of rejoicing which is laid up for those who have fought the good fight, kept the faith and triumphed over death. The chaplets, wreaths and epaulettes of the General were laid on the lid, and between them was the plate on which were engraved the name and rank, date of birth and time of decease of General WOOL. At the foot of the coffin was a large and beautiful cross, constructed of tuberoses and japonicas. On the sides were two floral stars, denoting the rank of the deceased, and an elegant shield and stars complete. The shield was made of English violets, and was a most artistic work. The crown mentioned above was two feet high, and was made of japonicas, elevated on a basket, three feet in diameter, of English violets. It was indeed a magnificent tribute, and called forth many commendations.

The remains of the dead soldier were clothed in his full Major-General's uniform. The face were its natural look, and not a mark of the final struggle with the last enemy was visible upon it. The countenance resembled that of a person who sleeps peacefully and quietly. The lips were closed, as resolutely as when, at the storming of Queenstown, he led his soldiers up to the cannon's mouth. The other features wore a calm and composed look, and seemed as if they belonged to one who was resting after discharging an arduous duty. Warlike and even bloody was his life; calm and peaceful its ending.

THE FUNERAL SERVICES.

At 10:30 o'clock the inner doors of St. Paul's Church were thrown open, and the crushing throng, almost endless in extent, but quiet and serious, commenced pouring in. Soon all the available space not reserved for the mourners and invited attendants was filled, while patient thousands waited outside, content to witness the solemn procession which in another hour was to follow the remains of him whom they mourned to their final resting place. At 11:30 the remains, preceded by Rev. Drs. Potter and Tuckler, and Rev. Messrs. Hulford, Townsend, Chapman and Adams, and borne by Major-General Irvin McDowell, U. S. A., Major-General Hunt, U. S. A., Major-General Arnold, U. S. A.; Major-General Hasking, U. S. A.; Brigadier-General Hagner, U. S. A.; Major-General Wm. B. Tibbits, U. S. Vols.; Commodore C. Price, U. S. N.; General Brown, N. G. S. N. Y.; Hon. Jonas C. Heartt, Mr. Henry Burden and Mr. Geo. Vail, were brought to the chancel, while Rev. Dr. TUCKER read the opening sentences of the funeral service. Then followed the hymn by the quartette choir of the church, "Abide with me," Professor GUY presiding at the organ. This was succeeded by the usual burial chant. The regular lesson for the funeral service, 15th chapter of First Corinthians, was read by Rev. Mr. TOWNSEND of West Troy. The beautiful hymn, "Jesus, Saviour of my soul," was then sung by the choir. The closing prayers were read by Rev. Mr. MULFORD, and the benediction was pronounced by Rev. Dr. POTTER.

As the close of the service Professor GUY played a funeral march, composed by him expressly for the occasion. The musical portion of the services, under the direction of Professor GUY, aided by the quartette of St. Paul's, the Misses WOOD and Messrs. COLBURN and KNOX, was rendered in excellent harmony with the solemnity and impressiveness of the occasion.

Among the distinguished gentlemen in attendance upon the services were Generals MEADE, McDOWELL, ARNOLD, HUNT, HAGNER and other army and navy officers of well-earned fame; also, Governor HOFFMAN and staff.

THE PROCESSION.

At the conclusion of the services the procession formed in the following order:

Detachment of Police under command of Captain Cary.
Major-General Carr and Staff.
Twenty-fourth Regiment New-York State Volunteers, Colonel Steenberg.
Doring's Band.
Twenty-fourth Regiment Drum Corps.
Brigadier-General Alden and Staff.
Squadron of Cavalry, Captain Geo. Schwarzman.
Battery B, Captain I. Seymour Scott.
Carriages containing Pall Bearers and Clergy.
Hearse drawn by four Black horses in charge of colored servants.
Body guard of Non-commissioned United States Regular Army Officers.
Major-General Wool's horse and orderly.
Fifth United States Artillery.
Regular Army Band.
Mourners.
Carriages containing Generals Meade, McDowell and other officers; Governor Hoffman and Staff.
Officers U. S. Army.
General Officers of Volunteers and Staff.
Common Council and City Authorities.
Grand Duke Wladimir—Sir Edward Lyons.
Post McConihe G. A. R.
Independent Veteran Zouaves, Capt. Bechart.
Albany Burgesses' Corps, Captain Taylor.
Sullivan's Band.
Twenty-fifth Regiment Drum Corps.
Twenty-fifth Regiment N. Y. S. N. G.
Tenth Regiment Drum Corps.
Downing's Seventy-fourth Regiment Band.
Tenth Regiment N. Y. S. N. G.
Cavalry.

All being in readiness the order to march was given, and the procession marched through Third-street to Broadway, up Broadway to Fifth, up Fifth and North Second to Hoosick, up Hoosick to Oakwood-avenue, up Oakwood-avenue to the cemetery. The streets along the line of march were crowded with citizens and strangers, who stood silent lookers on while the procession, with solemn tread and slow, passed by. At several times during the march the General's favorite air, "Home, Sweet Home," was played by the different bands.

In portions of the city flags at half-mast told that people were mourning for the dead, and many buildings were draped with the emblems of sorrow. Among those along the line of march were noticed Commercial Place, which was tastefully and becomingly draped, as was also GREEN's building. On North Second-street were many others. GRANT's marble works, CHURCHILL's collar shop, SWEET's grocery store, INGRAM's meat market, and the residences of E. J. ROCKWELL, H. CLEMENSHAW, M. J. AKIN, Wm. KNOX, Dr. CARPENTER and others. On River-street, BUSHNELL, DURANT & Co., W. H. LAWTON, and J. R. WILKINSON had their places of business draped. There were many others whose places were clothed with the habiliments of mourning, but at this hour it is impossible to enumerate them.

Business was generally suspended during the morning, and the majority of the stores on the leading business streets were closed. Thus did our citizens testify their respect for the warrior-hero who had been so long among us, by refraining on this, the greatest business day of the week, from their ordinary avocations.

At the cemetery the beautiful and impressive burial ritual of the Episcopal Church was read, and the dust committed to dust in the "full and sure hope in a sweet and triumphant resurrection through the merits of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

The last sad offices performed, the procession reformed and returned *via* Oakwood-avenue to Hoosick-street, thence to River-street, thence to Washington-square, where the troops were dismissed by the commanding officer.

GENERAL WOOL'S WILL.

It is understood that General WOOL leaves a fortune of about $630,000, and that the bulk of the property is bequeathed to his nephews and nieces. He added a codicil to his will a few days before death appropriating $50,000 for a monument to be raised to the memory of Mrs. WOOL. Among his benefactions is a gift of $15,000 to the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, and another of $5,000 to the Orphan Asylum.

THE MUNICIPAL ELECTION.

The Ring State for Police and Civil Justices.

The following is the corrected Tammany slate for the Police and Civil Justices at the December election according to the latest advices received:

1	Edward Hogan.*	Civil Justices.
2	Joseph Dowling.*	Dennis Quinn.*
3	Edward Shandley.*	Thos. Kivlin.*
4	John Scott.	J. W. Fowler.
5	William Dodge.*	Anthony Hartman.
6	John Hardy.	Wm. H. Tracy.
7	Joseph McGuire.	Thad. L. Lane.
8	Butler H. Bixby.	Harris Lowenberg.
9	John Mogunde.	Wm. J. Kane.
		Josiah Porter.

Those with a * are renominated.

Nomination for Assistant Alderman in the Seventh Ward.

The longshoremen and laboring men of the Seventh Ward held a meeting last night and nominated JOHN GANNON as the candidate for Assistant Alderman of their district. They also passed a resolution requesting Tammany to put him on their slate.

Civil Justice of the Seventh District.

At a large meeting of Democrats, held at the corner of Third-avenue and Eighty-fifth-street, last evening, MATTHEW DALY, Esq., was urged upon the Tammany Ring as a suitable candidate for Civil Justice of the Seventh District.

German-American Citizens Nomination.

The delegates of the German American Citizens' Association of the Sixth Senatorial District met at No. 176 Third-street on Friday evening, Mr. CHARLES KINKEL presiding, when they made the following nominations: ANTHONY EICKHOFF, for Civil Judge of the Fourth Judicial District; FRANCIS V. ELTRING, for Police Judge of the Fourth Judicial District; NICOLAUS BRONNER, for Alderman of the Tenth District; CHRISTOPHER FICKEN, for Assistant Alderman of the Tenth District. The number of delegates present from various clubs was about eighty.

German Independent Central Organization of the Tenth Assembly District.

This organization met at No. 41 First-avenue last night, Mr. BERNHARD HUNDT presiding, when they nominated WILLIAM FISCHER for Assistant Alderman of the district, who accepted the nomination.

The Social Science Association.

A discussion on the question of Free Trade vs. Protection is appointed to take place at the next meeting of the Social Science Association, on Monday, the 15th inst., at 8 P. M., at Plimpton Hall, corner of Ninth and Stuyvesant streets. Mr. W. R. SCOTT, Professor LEVERSON, Mr. CHARLES MORAN, SIMON STERN and other well-known economists are expected to take part in the discussion on the side of Free Trade; Mr. HORACE GREELEY, Dr. LAMBERT and Dr. EDWARDS on the side of Protection.

San Francisco and New-York—Quick Passage of a Clipper Ship.

The clipper ship *Black Hawk*, of SUTTON & Co.'s Dispatch line of California packets, which sailed from San Francisco Aug. 4, arrived at Sandy Hook yesterday, making the passage in 100 days. She passed Cape Horn 46 days out from San Francisco.

Navy Yard Intelligence.

The *Nestucket* left the Navy Yard for the Battery yesterday. She is now awaiting orders. The *Prairie* was expected to arrive at the Navy Yard last night.

The six Spanish gunboats reported in yesterday's TIMES as being on their way to the Navy Yard were expected to arrive last night.

EUROPEAN NEWS BY MAIL.

ARRIVAL OF THE STEAMSHIP MAIN.

The Bremen steamship *Main*, which left Bremen Oct. 30 and Southampton Nov. 2, reached this port yesterday. The news thus received is later by two days than that at hand by the *Nemesis*.

DANUBIAN PROVINCES.

The Troubles in Dalmatia—Motives for the Uprising—Mediæval Influence—Latest News from the Seat of Insurrection.

Venice (Oct. 26) Correspondence Daily News.

I date this letter from the ancient capital of Dalmatia, the city which at one time possessed the whole seaboard of the Adriatic from Chioggia to the Town of Cattaro, on the confines of Montenegro and Albania. The Venetians "annexed" Dalmatia as early as the year 997, under the Government of PIETRO ORSEOLO, twenty-sixth Doge, and held it off and on for 800 years, namely, till the downfall of the Republic in 1797.

This is not the place to enlarge on matters connected with ancient or with mediæval history, but it may be necessary to remind the reader that one at least of the pleas put forward by the insurgents of Dalmatia as an excuse for their not contributing to the conscription is not founded on fact. Levies for troops and galleys were made in this province in the thirteenth century, and no doubt long before that date, and long afterward. When ENRICO DANDOLO, Doge and Commander-in-Chief of Venice, set sail for the Holy Land, sets Constantinople, (capturing the city in his way, A. D. 1204,) he had Dalmatians in his army. Soldiers from the very town of Cattaro, where the fighting is going on, may have taken part in the Fourth Crusade; mariners from the Narenta River and sea-coast, so famous, both before and afterward, for its pirates, may have helped to subdue the City of the Sultan, and to keep it in subjection for those fifty years which saw Venice supreme in the Bosphorous, and mistress of a great portion of the Turkish Empire, founded by Constantinople, which city she held with a strong hand till the year 1261. Nay, there are proofs that the Venetians were by no means squeamish in their dealings with conquered provinces; nor were they likely to respect the "liberties" of people whose freedom they had destroyed. Dalmatians were enrolled as soldiers; fishermen and seafaring men were pressed for service in the galleys; and boys and girls, taken prisoners in the Dalmatian wars, were sold into slavery. All these things are matters of history, and we have only to turn to the reign of Doge MICHIELI—the Doge called Duke of Candia, and "Terror of the Greeks"—to see what deeds were done in the neighborhood of Cattaro in the beginning of the twelfth century, and what immunities and privileges were granted to the inhabitants of Zara, Ragusa and other towns, whose children were sold into bondage.

So much for the plea of the fractious peasantry of Southern Dalmatia now in arms against their Government, instigated therein, as many people believe, or affect to believe, by another or perhaps I should say, two other powers. The first accounts of this singular insurrection seemed to show that the "mild and peaceful peasantry" of Dalmatia, that neighbor so much objected to a soldier's life; later accounts showed, and show still, that they are willing to die a soldier's death. And for what? For exemption from the conscription! In that case they are fighting to show that they will not fight; which seems rather strange. The facts, however, are found of war, and singularly well qualified to excel in it; they are descended from soldiers; perhaps from brigands. Many of the highland chiefs boast that their forefathers have fought a thousand battles; their "fatherland," for which they are now "fighting party cries of sedition, has been in a chronic state of war (with short, very short intervals of peace) ever since the breaking up of the Roman Empire. Hungary and Turkey and Venice have all three fought battles on Dalmatian soil—battles renewed every year, or every eight or ten or twelve years, for centuries. It is sheer folly to talk of these mountaineers of Cattaro as "mild and docile countrymen." They are not so considered by their neighbors; their national poet, KACICH, does not so speak of them; and it will be seen from the following words quoted, and literally translated, from their last proclamation—which is being distributed by some mysterious means throughout the length and breadth of the land—that they do not look upon themselves in the light of doves or lambs. How bold and jaunty are these words:

YOUNG HAWKS OF THE MOUNTAINS—The hour has struck; the signal has sounded; the call of Fatherland. Our enemies have torn the documents of our liberties; they have threatened to shed our brothers' blood if we do not consign our souls to their power. Friends, our rocks of our mountains our muskets will bring death to our enemies; our sweethearts, our daughters and our wives will hurl stones upon them. Long live the Montenegro, last time I heard our cry of liberty! Erzegovina, has thou heard our cry of war! Know, then, that we are numerous, and that we are resolute. You are aware, O brothers, that we have taken up the sword not for fighting for our liberty, that is dearer to us than our life. We conquered the Turks—they were our enemies; we will conquer our present foes.

This allusion to the disputes with Turkey in the Middle Ages is meaningless. Was this proclamation printed in St. Petersburg, or are suspicions of this sort untimely, if not altogether uncalled for? At any rate, whether honestly or the reverse, here is a people roused to open rebellion. It is the old story told again—the story of trampled rights and scorned liberties. What will be the upshot of it all? Are the Dalmatians—or is any portion of Dalmatia—so mad as to think that their aspirations can be realized, or that a petty provincial nationality can be permitted to grow up out of the body politic of Europe in these days of progress and enlightenment? Are the Turkish insurgents, or a certain section of the insurgents, are in earnest, no one can doubt; but who knows how far their hopes of aid (or, at all events, they have) are based on the matter? It is difficult to conceive that any power—Russian, Prussian, or Montenegrin—can have any benevolent motive for desiring the independence of Cattaro; but it is easy enough to see that such an independence, if speedily followed up by a friendly annexation to Montenegro, would be exceedingly grateful to the ruler of that little Principality, as well as to Russia, of whose partiality for the Adriatic as a convenient place for harboring ships of war we have heard some talk of late. Whether or not this question will become "complicated" remains to be seen. In the meantime it is getting serious and slightly entangled; for whereas on one side we hear of complicity between the frontier peasants of Montenegro and those of Dalmatia, we hear on the other side of threatened inroads into Albania on the part of the Montenegrins. All this time the Austrian Government, sadly at a loss what to think, is making efforts to subdue the insurrection, but without much effect. The peasants, nine thousand strong, well armed and well provisioned, full of energy and enthusiasm, are holding at bay an army of nearly twice that number. An engagement took place at Dragaly on the 22d, in which the Austrian troops suffered severely. Colonel IOVANOVICH was sent at the head of a detachment of his regiment to bear a conciliatory message to the insurgents, but was answered by the whiz of bullets. His soldiers had to defend themselves against these terrible fellows, sometimes called Zupani, sometimes Raja, or perhaps they are a mixture of both tribes. The imperial troops now concentrated themselves at Cattaro, whither several gunboats had been sent, besides two or more ships of war, with batteries for mountain service, and other munitions—the entire garrison of Trieste, as well as that of Grats, and two regiments of Jägers, together with other troops hurried hither, being ordered to the "seat of war."

The news that the fort of Stanjevich had been surprised by the insurgents, and its commander and part of its garrison massacred, appears to be confirmed; but it also seems that the prisoners (about forty) taken on that occasion have been released, while the insurgents then driven back from the fort of Gensanda with great loss in killed and wounded. The telegraphic communications between Cattaro and Budua are interrupted. The insurgents have fallen back upon the latter place, hemming it in on all sides. Portions of the Imperial troops seem to have fallen back on Risano, whence they commenced operations. The last item of news is to the effect that one thousand five hundred (some say thirteen hundred) peasants of the Erzegovina had joined the insurrection, and that other, and larger gatherings of "patriots" are taking place in the mountains of Dalmatia, Albania and Montenegro. Perhaps the ugliest news of all is that from Erzegovina, by which we are led to believe that the person there instigating the peasants to revolt is a spy or envoy of the Russian Count LUIT VUKALOVICH. The *Dalmata*, a journal of Zara, is responsible for this statement, while the *Revolte Lady* is responsible for a rumor equally wild and startling, to the effect that muskets have been sent to Cattaro from Prussia *via* Bavaria, Switzerland and Italy. It is very certain that the insurgents are well equipped, but whether equipped by Russia, Prussia, or Montenegro, or by secret emissaries from either of these three Powers, or from all three Powers combined, it is impossible to say; and nothing positive can be known for some little time. It is certain that the muskets are not Austrian, nor equipped by the Austrian Government, and it is equally certain that they did not find their muskets growing in the fields like corn, or shake their bullets down from the trees as the peasantry of Central Italy shake down chestnuts in the bleak days of November. Some time ago in what then seemed a lawless but cleared away we shall know to whom to look for an explanation of these mysteries; till then we must have patience, and trust that this ugly matter is being duly inquired into by those whose interest it is to preserve the peace of Europe.

Austrian Account of Affairs.

The *Mémorial Diplomatique*, the organ of the Austrian Government in Paris, makes the following remarks on the origin and character of the rising in Dalmatia: "There is not throughout Austria a population more sincerely devoted to the Hapsburg dynasty than the inhabitants of the Bocca di Cattaro, who, being all engaged in navigation, call themselves 'Imperial,' to show how much attached they are to Austria; but those children of the sea cannot accustom themselves to the idea of serving in the ranks of the reserve, after having been always exempt from the military conscription. There is reason to regret that the Government of Vienna should have extended the levy for that corps to a district almost the entire population of which serve in the Austrian navy or merchant service. The Bocca di Cattaro is the chief nursery for seamen in Austria, which country, since the cession of Venetia especially, has every interest in assuring the recruitment of marines as loyal as they are intrepid. These people will no doubt shed their last drop of blood rather than allow themselves to be enrolled in the army, so that the Government will be forced to repeal the obnoxious law." The *Nord*, commenting upon these observations, says that they remove all "room for the alleged foreign manœuvres which certain journals imagine they can trace in the events of Cattaro."

IRELAND.

Disorderly Proceedings in Limerick.

A mob of several thousand persons, acting under recognised leaders, took possession on Nov. 1 of the Market square at Limerick, where a tenant-right demonstration, convened by the High Sheriff, was to have been held, and at a preconcerted signal, utterly demolished the large platform erected for the speakers; and gentlemen coming to attend the meeting were seized at signals from the mob leaders, and hustled out of the square. Two young clergymen strenuously resisted, but were overpowered after an obstinate struggle. One of them received a violent blow in the face, and struck his assailant in return. The mob also attacked the detective policeman, beating three or four severely. The row lasted for a couple of hours, and the Police did not interfere until the detectives were assaulted, when a large force was marched to the square, but the mob had dispersed. The attack was organized by the Fenian party, who state they will permit no public agitation for tenant right until the prisoners are released. The int

CURRENT LITERATURE.

IN MY VINEYARD.

BY BAYARD TAYLOR.

I.

At last the dream that glad the field
In fairest fact, and stable;
At last my vines a covert yield,
A patch for song and fable.
I thread the rustling ranks, that hide
Their misty violet treasure,
And part the sprays with more than pride,
And more than owner's pleasure.

II.

The tender shoots, the fragrance fine,
Betray the garden's poet,
Whose daintiest life is turned to wine,
Yet half is shy to show it—
The epicure, who yields to toil
A scarce fulfilled reliance,
But takes from sun and dew and soil
A grace unguessed by science.

III.

Faint odors, from the bunches blown,
Surround me and subdue me;
The vineyard-breath of many a zone
Is softly breathing through me;
From slopes of Eshkol, in the sun,
And many a hill-set chalcedc;
From where Falernian juices run,
And where they press the Mascle!

IV.

Where airy terraces, on high,
The hungry vats replenish,
And, less from earth than from the sky,
Distil the golden Rhenish;
Where, light of heart, the Bordelais
Compels his stony level
To burst and foam in purple spray,—
The rose that crowns the revel!

V.

So here, as there, the subject earth
Shall take a tenderer duty;
And Labor walk with harmless Mirth,
And wed with loving Beauty;
So, here, a gracious life shall fix
Its scent in sunnier weather;
For sap and blood so sweetly mix,
And richly run together

VI.

The vine was exiled from the land
That bore but needful burdens;
But now we slack the weary hand,
And look for gentler guerdons;
We take from Ease a grace above
The strength we took from Labor,
And win to laugh, and woo to love,
Each grimly-earnest neighbor.

VII.

What idle dreams! Even as I muse,
I feel a falling shadow;
And vapors blur and clouds confuse
My coming Eldorado.
Portentous, grim, a ghost draws nigh,
To clip my flying fancy,
And change the shows of earth and sky
With evil necromancy.

VIII.

The leaves on every vine-branch curl
As if a frost had stung them;
The bunches shrivel, snap, and whirl
As if a tempest flung them;
And as the ghost his forehead shakes,
Denying and commanding,
But withered stalks and barren stakes
Surround me where I'm standing.

IX.

"Beware!" the spectre cried; "the woe
Of this delusive culture!
The nightingale that lures thee so
Shall hatch a ravening vulture.
To feed the vat, to fill the bin,
Thou pluck'st the vineyard's poison,
That drugs the cup of mirth with sin,
The veins of health with poison!"

X.

But now a golden mist was born,
With violet-odors mingled:
I felt a brightness as of morn,
And all my pulses tingled;
And forms arose,—among them first
The old Ionian lion,
And they, Sicilian Muses nursed,—
Theocritus and Bion.

XI.

And he of Teos, he of Rome,
The Sabine bard and urbane;
And Saadi, from his Persian home,
And Hafiz in his turban:
And Shakespeare, silent, sweet and grave,
And Herrick with his lawns on;
And Luther, mellow, burly, brave,
Along with Rare Ben Jonson!

XII.

"Be comforted!" they seemed to say;
"For Nature does no treasons:
She neither gives nor takes away
Without eternal reasons.
She heaps the stores of corn and oil
In such a liberal measure,
That, past the utmost need of Toil,
There's something left for Pleasure.

XIII.

"The secret soul of sun and dew
Not vainly she distilleth,
And from these globes of pink and blue
A harmless cup she filleth:
Who loveth her may take delight
In what for him she dresses,
Nor find in cheerful appetite
The portal to excesses.

XIV.

"Yes, ever since the race began
To press the vineyard's juices,
It was the brute within the man
Defiled their nobler uses;
But they who take from order joy,
And make denial duty,
But chain the brute they should destroy
By Freedom and by Beauty!"

XV.

They spake; and, lo! the baleful shape
Grew dim, and then retreated;
And bending o'er the hoarded grape,
The vines my vision greeted.
The sunshine burst, the breezes turned
The leaves till they were hoary,
And over all the vineyard burned
A fresher light of glory!

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QUEER TEXTS.—Some preachers of the sensational school select texts that shall be remembered for their singularity. Thus, in March, 1856, Rev. G. W. CONDER preached at Leeds from the words, "Aha! aha!" On Feb. 3, 1861, at All Saints' Margaret-street, London, Dr. WOLFF preached from the one word "Saul!" (Acts ix. 1.) ROWLAND HILL once preached from the words, "Old cast clouts and rotten rags," (Jer. xxxviii. 9;) and, on another occasion from the words, "I can do all things," beginning his sermon by a flat denial of the Apostle's proposition. In the same style was STERNE's exordium, when he preached from the text, "It is better to go to the house of mourning than to the house of feasting," and exclaimed, "that I deny." This secured the attention of his hearers; and, for a like purpose, CECIL commenced a sermon by saying, "A man was hanged at Tyburn this morning." WHITFIELD, have at his text, then paused, and shouted, "Fire! fire! fire!" as a prelude to his discourse on eternal punishment. ROWLAND HILL imitated this by crying, "Matches! matches! matches!" but he excused himself for saying what he termed out-of-the-way texts and out-of-the-way observations because he preached to out-of-the-way sinners. It is even said that he called his Wapping hearers wapping sinners. "Hang the law and the prophets!" was the mutilated text of a celebrated Scotch divine, who began his sermon with the words, "So says practice; though profession says otherwise." WHITFIELD once gave as his text, "There came unto Him certain lawyers;" and then, apparently, detected his purposed misquotation, and said, "not certain lawyers, but a certain lawyer. It was wonderful that even one lawyer should have been found to do this; it would have been perfectly incredible had there been more;" the point of this lying in the circumstance that some lawyers were present who had expressly come there to scoff at him. A Shrewsbury dissenting minister preached a funeral sermon for the Rev. JOHN ANGELL JAMES, of Birmingham, from the combined texts, "A man sent from God, whose name was John. I saw the *Angel* fly in the midst of heaven. *James* the servant of God." "There is no fool like the foolhardy," was the text of the Rev. Dr. WILLIAMSON, who had a quarrel with a parishioner named HANDY. "Adam, where art thou?" was the text of the probation sermon of Mr. LOW; who, with Mr. ADAM, was a candidate for a lectureship; "Lo, here I am!" was the responsive text of his rival, Mr. ADAM. Mr. JOSEPH, curate of the Isle of Man, reminded the Lord-Lieutenant, BUTLER, Duke of Ormonde, of his forgotten promise to assist him with preferment, by preaching before him from the text, "Yet did not the chief Butler remember Joseph, but forgot him." Bishop MAZROT, of Durham, preached on the importance of learning Greek from the text, "Canst thou speak Greek?" But on March 31, 1858, Dr. JACON preached the tercentenary sermon at Bromsgrove School from the text, "It was written in Hebrew, and Greek, and Latin," advocating the teaching of Greek and Latin in foundation schools. The first sermon preached at St. Pauls' for the Corporation of the Sons of the Clergy was on Nov. 5, 1668, by Rev. GEORGE HALL, afterward Bishop of Chester, who chose for his text this verse, "The red of Aaron budded, and bloomed blossoms and yielded almonds." The text of a celebrated dissenting minister, whose sermon was devoted to a denunciation of the sin of borrowing umbrellas, especially unabrellas, and not returning them, was taken from 2 Kings vi., 5, "Alas, master! for it was borrowed."

—*Once a Week.*

LOST IN THE POST OFFICE.

From Routledge's Christmas Annual.

The will lay upon the counter before me, and my eyes were riveted upon the large cover which contained it, and which bore the inscription, "R. Gray, Esq., Mitre Buildings, The Temple, London." Within it lay Kate's destiny and mine. Whether we were to be married or no, before our hair was gray, was the secret wrapped up in its folds.

To go back to the beginning. My father had been the junior partner in the old bank of Fletcher and Slaney, of Thornbury, which had come to grief, after an honorable and old-fashioned manner, paying off all its debts, according to the custom of forty years ago, at the expense of the firm, who thereupon became poor men. My father had many friends, and in those times, when political influence had its finger in the bestowal of all public offices worth having, the members of our Tory borough had little difficulty in procuring for the ex-banker the office of Postmaster, then vacant. The bank offices, occupying the ground floor of our residence, were altered somewhat to suit the new purposes to which they were put. The public business room became a sort of outer office, and my father's private apartment the stamping and sorting place for the letters. The upper portion of the partition wall was thrown down, but left at sufficient height to screen the inner room from the observation of any person in the outer one; yet it was open enough to make every word audible in either part, unless intentionally spoken in a whisper. In the course of a few years my father appointed me his head clerk, upon the promotion of the previous clerk to an office of his own; and our united salaries then amounted to £400 a year, besides the numerous perquisites which at that time of day fell to the share of the Postmaster, such as private letter-bags, and the postage upon local letters. We had two under-clerks, and the duties were light; very different from what they have since become, as I am told. The penny postage had only just come in; postage stamps were still an institution of the future, and money orders had been a recognized branch of the establishment no more than two years. Only four years before, the stamp duty on newspapers had been 2½d. a piece, and the wildest Whig had not yet dreamed of a penny paper. There were hours in our post office when our two subordinates were more than sufficient for all the work of the place, and my father's post was little else than a sinecure.

One of the boroughmen, who had been most active in procuring this comfortable berth for us, was an old crony of my father's—both of them were Masons, and both dabblers in chemistry—and also the wealthiest man in the whole neighborhood. He was a bachelor, and continued to live very much in the simple and inexpensive style he had been used to in poorer days. His money had grown by lucky speculations and careful economy. A good number of his kindred lived about the town, all moderately well off, and more or less successful in life, except the brother next eldest to himself, who, having entered the Church, had gained no higher promotion in it than a poor curacy in his native town, with an income of £100 a year. Old Lawrence treated him with a kind of fretful, irritable brotherliness, which was but poorly plastered over by a yearly gift, grudgingly given, of another hundred. I need scarcely say that all the kindred were specially affectionate to old Lawrence.

His niece, Kate Lawrence, the curate's daughter, was—well! I shall not try to describe what she was, except by saying that *I* was in love with her, and had been ever since I had first seen her in church, listening, with a beaming and loving face, to her father preaching one of his prosiest sermons. Everybody knew I was in love with Katie, for I made no secret of it; and Katie was just as simply and frankly in love with me, and made no secret of it either. Yet I am quite sure I had never asked her, in so many words, if she would be my wife; but we were tacitly, without pledge or promise given, engaged to marry one another as soon as fickle fortune would permit it. When that would be, the most prophetic soul could not foretell; for our lavish household expenditure at home, which had not been materially reduced upon the failure of the bank, swallowed up the united income of my father and myself; while my three sisters, now portionless, did not seem in a fair way to make eligible settlements. There was only one chance, a distant one—when old Lawrence died, would he leave Katie or her father any portion of his accumulated wealth?

Six or seven years had passed without any brightening of our prospects, when, quite unexpectedly, one morning old Lawrence's housekeeper rushed in with the news that she had found her master dead in his bed. Only the night before, he and my father had been trying some chemical experiments, and the shock to the latter was so violent that he was insensible for some time, and continued speechless after his consciousness had apparently returned. Of course, my mother and sisters were in great agitation, and it was an hour or two before I could leave them, after assisting to get my father to bed, and sending for his doctor. As soon as I could, however, I hastened to the poor solitary old man's house. The streets were all in commotion, and the whole town seemed in a fever of curiosity concerning the sudden event, and what might result from it. In the house itself I found everyone of the relatives who lived in the town, including two younger brothers and a married sister of the deceased; and by the side of the dead man sat Katie's father, genuine tears of sorrow blinding his eyes.

The excitement, once awakened, did not seem likely to slumber again till curiosity was satisfied. It was plain that the old man had died from natural causes; but as soon as the fact was assured of that, the question upon every tongue was, "Has he made a will?" or, "How has he left his money?" I was myself devoured by anxiety, of which I was half ashamed. If he had died intestate, Katie's father, as heir-at-law, would come into possession of his landed property, and into a fourth part of his personalty, which would be no insignificant windfall in itself. It was a subject which might well thrust itself upon me, in spite of my father's serious attack, which seemed not unlike a stroke of paralysis.

During the course of the afternoon old Lawrence's solicitor, Mr. Snape, was announced, and I went to speak to him. He requested to see my father, with a very important tone and expression of countenance. "It is impossible,' I answered, "quite impossible; he cannot see any one. He has not spoken since this morning, when he heard of the sudden death of his old friend. Arnold is apprehensive of paralysis. Is it anything that I can do?"

"No, no," replied Mr. Snape; "your father is one of the executors of Mr. Lawrence's will, and I have brought it here with me, to consult him about it. The other is Grey, of the Temple. Under these circumstances, I suppose I must forward it to him; and perhaps it is best; it must be proved at Canterbury, and he can see to it at once."

"Why at Canterbury?" I asked, eagerly.

"Because there is landed property in three different dioceses," he answered. "I'll send it to Grey by to-night's mail."

"Well, my father can do nothing," I said, wondering all the time whether Mr. Snape knew what were the provisions of the will, so momentous to Katie and me.

There was a will, however; that far was certain. A kind of wild hope, which had been kindled in my breast, was quite quenched by the visit from Mr. Snape. I felt myself sinking into a gloomy depression, which appeared exceedingly ominous to me. For three or four hours I brooded despondently over the fact that there was a will, scarcely allowing myself to cherish a spark of hope that Katie was provided for in it. But the anxiety I had endured before was security itself compared with my consternation and disquietude when Mr. Snape returned, accompanied by Mr. Grey, who seemed pleased that he had secured nothing whatever of the packet which had been posted in our office. There was not the shadow of a doubt of this last circumstance. The clerk who received it, and I, myself, were compelled to admit that it had been safely deposited with us; but no trace of it could be found beyond that. Both Snape and Grey had been to the General Post Office to make inquiries there, but nothing was known of it. The whole onus of the disappearance rested upon our office, and the three persons within it.

It was simply impossible to keep the mysterious loss of old Lawrence's will any longer a secret. The relatives were ready to pull Mr. Grey to pieces as soon as he showed his face in the town. Was it not shameful, scandalous, that a fortnight had already dragged by, and no one knew how a quarter of a million of money—for rumor said the old man's wealth was no less—had been bequeathed? With real reluctance Grey made known the facts. There had been a will; he and the postmaster were executors; it had been posted for him on the night after old Lawrence's death, and nothing more was known about it.

The excitement in the town was tenfold, a hundred fold greater now than on the occasion of the testator's sudden death. Our post office was besieged, and the clerks plied with questions, while I kept myself safely out of sight in the inner office, brooding in perplexity over the singular occurrence. I could arrive at no other conclusion than that the packet must have slipped into a wrong bag, and so been missent. Of course there were worrying inquiries made by the London authorities, to which I could give no other reply than this supposition. The affair was of such importance that official circulars were dispatched to most of the offices in the kingdom, requiring any information concerning any mis-sent letters; and in the course of a few weeks a handsome reward was offered for the discovery of the missing document.

About five weeks after old Lawrence's death, I received a summons to present myself before the surveyor of the district, a Mr. Talbot, who lived sixteen miles or so from Thornbury. He, too, was an old friend of our family, and had assisted in obtaining the post office for my father. He was one of those jovial, courteous old gentlemen of a past generation, who liked to make his own, and every one's, life as easy and agreeable as possible, and who had somewhat of an aristocratic contempt for the exacting public—far less exacting then than now. I received a cordial greeting from him, was set down to a good dinner, and forbidden to speak of business until he began, which he did over our wine.

"Now, Harry, just tell me all about it, as shortly as possibly," said Mr. Talbot; and I obeyed him.

"But this is a dence of a mess!" he exclaimed, when I had finished; "the will must be found, Sir. The authorities insist upon it, and I will not answer for the consequences if there is much longer delay. Do you know what your townsfolk are saying, my boy?"

Some manner had changed from consternation to anger, and then into compassion, as he spoke; but I only looked into his friendly face and shook my head in reply.

"They say just this," he continued, "neither more nor less—that the will is in your own possession. They say you are going to marry Parson Lawrence's only daughter, and by keeping back the will you expect him to come into possession of all the property."

"I should be a fool if I did," I answered, stammering; for this phase of my position had not failed to occur to me.

"A confounded fool," he added, drily; "the estate will be thrown into Chancery, and the lawyers will get the best pickings out of it. Come, Harry, we are old friends; I know you when you were a baby, and your father and mother years before. You might tell me anything, my boy."

"Thank you," I cried, grasping his offered hand, "but I have nothing more to tell. I swear I know no more about the will than you do."

"Could anybody else know of its being in your office besides you and the clerks?" asked Mr. Talbot.

Strange to say—so strange that I marveled at it myself—until that moment I had altogether forgotten, or it had been kept back from recurring to my memory, that Katie had been with me when my mother's agonized voice called to me. Like some vivid revelation made by a flash of lightning, lurid and blinding, came back the position in which we stood, and the last words I had uttered. The events which followed had been so hurried and engrossing, the sleep succeeding to them so exhausting, that the impression must have been for the time almost obliterated. It returned all the keener now; and my pulse stood still, and my heart sank heavily. Katie had been there; Katie had seen her uncle's will; I had left her behind me in the office alone.

I answered incoherently, stammered, contradicted myself, and at last, for almost the only time in my life, fairly burst into tears. Never did a poor, weak wretch appear more guilty than I did. My friend—for he was truly my friend—urged me, implored of me, in vain, to confess all, and make him the confidant of my temptations and my fault; he gave it no harsher a name. It was impossible for me to cast a suspicion upon Katie, though as I came to think quietly over it in my bedroom—I stayed all night at Mr. Talbot's—I could not banish from me the dread misgiving that here lay the solution of the mystery. I said to myself that at first it would be nothing but a girl's thoughtless curiosity, which had changed into shame and terror upon facing the consequences of her action; and then, my dear readers, it became more impossible for her to confess the fault, when the mere sight of the will had overcome over me, and the temptation which had rushed to my brain as I sat staring at it. A tenth part of such a temptation, I was inclined to argue, would be too strong for the curiosity of a woman, especially a woman the most deeply interested in its contents. Yet Kate was so good, so simple-minded, so religious; should I be forced to lose my faith in her? No; I could not believe her capable of a dishonorable and criminal action. Yet where, then, was the will?

It will be readily credited that I did not sleep that night, and that I was haggard and miserable-looking in the morning. The surveyor made a last effort to gain my confidence, and my agitated reserve produced upon him the impression that I was guilty. The last sentence he uttered, with unusual sternness, was to the effect that, unless the will was speedily found, there was no hope of my retaining my office, even if my father kept his, being shielded by his dangerous illness at the time.

I rode homewards, wretched enough, and found Snape awaiting my return. Mr. Grey had gone back to London, after staying no more than a few days in Thornbury.

"Nothing discovered yet?" said Snape.

"Nothing," I answered, despondently. "If there was, you'd have no need to come to me. I should be only too glad to let you know."

"It beats everything in my professional experience," he continued.

"That's no satisfaction to me," I said, in a testy tone; "the question is, what is to be done if the will does not turn up at all?"

"The very question all the relatives are asking," replied Snape. "Mr. Lawrence drew up the will himself, gave me no hint of its contents, and has left no copy. We are, every one of us, utterly in the dark as to his intentions. We cannot proceed as if he had died intestate; all the world knows he did not; and no one has a legal right to touch a penny of his property."

"Will it be thrown into Chancery?" I asked.

"There will be nothing else for it, if the will is not found," he said; "and, to let you into a secret which concerns you, some of the relatives are talking of a prosecution against you. But, I ask them, what proof have you that Mr. Henry Slaney has abstracted this document? The abstraction of any letter or packet from the post office is felony, such letter or packet being the property of the Postmaster-General during its transit, and the penalty is penal servitude or transportation. But how can the felony be proved? There may be good grounds for suspicion, strong presumptive evidence—his own admission of having received the document, and a sufficient motive; but there is no positive proof, and could he no positive proof, unless it was found in his possession, or proved to have been in his possession, or in the possession of some individual who could only have received it from him."

"It is a pleasant position to be in," said I, biting at my nails viciously, which is no habit of mine, but which seemed to come naturally to me in these circumstances.

"If the will could only be found," answered Mr. Snape, with a provoking significance of tone, "it might be smoothed over, even now."

"If it could only be found!" I said, over and over to myself, in terror. And so the solicitor went away, and I was left to the torture of my own reflections. I was in my father's room for a few hours, and he was sitting in an easy chair near the fire, with a faint smile upon his sunken face, which grew stronger when he saw me. It was a little brightness in the deepening gloom closing around me, and I forced a smile to my own lips.

"All going on well downstairs, Harry?" he said.

"Why not?" I answered evasively; "why not? The work is simple enough."

He was easily satisfied about that, but not so easily about myself. What had I been over to Mr. Talbot about? What made me look so pale and anxious? Was there any coolness between Katie and me?

"She is a girl after my own heart," said my father, warmly, "a perfect treasure. Don't you let her slip through your fingers, Harry. By the bye, now we are alone, tell me how poor Lawrence made his will, and what he has done for Katie—something handsome, I hope? Your mother would not let me speak about it, for fear of excitement."

I hesitated for a moment, but so briefly that he did not notice it.

"The will cannot be found," I said.

"Not found!" he repeated.

"Yes," I continued, hurriedly, "but every search is being made for it. Snape is positive that there was a will executed a few months ago, but all he knows of its contents is that you and Mr. Grey are the executors."

"Poor Lawrence!" sighed my father. "Do you think they have searched his laboratory well? It is not unlikely he would deposit it there, in his cabinet. Tell them to leave no corner unsearched in the laboratory."

I promised to do so, and made haste to get away. In the drawing room I found Katie, in her mourning dress and bonnet, come in to go a walk with my sisters, who luckily had just started off before her arrival. She advanced to meet me, with both her hands stretched out, and with her usual frank, pleasant, calm smile upon her face. There was no one there, and I stooped down to kiss her, feeling myself an unhappy, guilty wretch, as if I were the culprit, and unworthy to lay my lips upon her smooth fair forehead, which grew rosy with my kiss.

"Harry!" she murmured, in a tone of remonstrance.

"I am so miserable, Katie," said I; and on the instant I resolved to lay before her my position, to exaggerate it even, to paint it in the blackest colors; and then to make it plain to her that, could the will be found, all might yet be explained away, and smoothed over, without any public exposure. I did my best, and acquitted myself so well that she shed torrents of tears, her head resting upon my shoulder; but not a syllable did she utter which in the slightest degree hinted or betrayed that she had any knowledge of the missing will.

"Katie," I said, when I had exhausted all my eloquence, "you understand that no one now will come into possession of your uncle's property?"

"No one!" she cried, lifting up her head, and looking earnestly in my face. "I thought if there was no will, my father would have everything. You said he was heir-at-law, and I should be a great heiress. It will not signify if you do lose your situation, Harry; I shall have enough for us both; and if every one in the world thought you guilty, I should know you were innocent."

"But it will be thrown into Chancery instead of coming to anybody," I said, a cold hard feeling toward her creeping over me.

"But Chancery could do nothing after all but give the landed property to my father," she persisted; "there can be no nearer heir, and if the will is lost, it, is the same as there being no will—if Chancery has any sense," she added, half gaily.

Very heavy indeed grew my heart. I attempted again to impress upon her the position in which her father, herself, and all the relatives stood; but she either could not understand it, or would not believe it. If it came to the worst, she answered, they would all agree to some arrangement for the division of the property, and her father, being the eldest, and the heir-at-law, would receive the largest share. She would be an heiress, and why should I fret myself about a paltry place in the Post Office?

I could not, for the very life of me, look her in the face and say: "Katie, is it possible that you were over-tempted, and took the will?" Yet I could not shake off the growing conviction that this was the truth. I despair of conveying to you the hundredth part of the maddening conflict of my feelings during the next few weeks. My love for Katie, my allegiance, my disappointment, my strong desire to believe her innocent, my pity for her, my close vigilance upon every word and glance which fell from her, my terror lest the truth should become known to anyone else. There could be no suspicion of her in any heart but mine, which loved her so truly, and was willing to endure mistrust, cold looks and angry insinuations for her sake, yet which every day was growing colder toward her, and more full of severe judgments upon her crime. Expectation was dying away in the town, and hope was almost dead within me.

It was not possible to keep the secret any longer from my father, when he became able to attend to business. A London surveyor, accompanied by a detective, came down to investigate the matter thoroughly; but they could learn no more than was already generally known. It was a severe trouble to my father, and serious consequences threatened him in spite of his plea of sudden and dangerous illness. The fact that he was one of the executors told against him with the strangers who were appointed to investigate the affair; for they appeared to argue, that he might have taken possession of the will, [illegible] Post Office.

When nothing could be discovered by the surveyor or detective, the family relatives held a family meeting to consult upon what was to be done. But it was not very clear what the law would permit them to do in such circumstances; and there was not one of them who would have agreed to proceed as if he had died intestate. Every lawyer in Thornbury had given some opinion, and received a fee for it, upon the point; but nothing was clear and certain.

Those were the most miserable three months that ever passed over my head. The changed faces of my townsmen, the suspicion attaching to me, and the near prospect of ignominiously losing my post, were hard to bear. But the deepening conviction of Katie's guilt, and my gradually decreasing love for her, were incomparably harder. She did not fail to feel the coldness and distrust of my manner, and being a girl of spirit she did not fail to mark the change by a corresponding change in herself. I pondered over such questions as these—how was the will made, and what had she done with it? Had she destroyed it? Or was it still in existence, to be discovered, perhaps, at some future day to work a just judgment upon her? However it might be, I knew that my Katie was lost to me for ever; yet not for worlds would I throw upon her the suspicion which weighed so heavily upon me.

The last day of the year came. There had been a semi-official letter in the morning from Mr. Talbot, intimating that the people of Thornbury were dissatisfied at my retaining an important and confidential place in the Post Office, and that their complaints were about to be noticed from headquarters. My father, only partially recovered, was very low, and my mother and sisters cried at intervals during the day. I found myself, as usual, in the office about the same hour in the evening as when old Lawrence's will was brought in and laid before me on the counter, just as I had finished and folded up the quarterly money-order account. Another quarter was ended, and I said, with some bitterness of tone, "that there could be no objection to me making up the account once again." The forms upon which they were drawn out were kept in a small drawer in the counter, and I found them packed rather tightly, having evidently been pushed in in some haste and confusion. The drawer would only open with a sharp jerk, and as I gave it, I heard a sound of something falling behind, while the drawer came out in my hand. I stooped to look what had fallen, and—you will have guessed already—there lay old Lawrence's will, looking precisely as it had done when it lay on the counter before me, directed to "R. Grey, Esq. Esq. Mitre Buildings, The Temple, London."

I gave a great shout, which made my father spring up from his desk, and I fell down on my knees before the empty space where the drawer had been, scarcely able to stretch out my hand to touch the will. How it had got there was plain enough all me. I had left it lying among the forms, which were not unlike it in shape and size, and the clerks coming in to their hurried and unaccustomed work, had cleared the counter after a summary fashion, by sweeping them all away together into the drawer beneath, which was used for no other purpose, and [illegible] opened except on the last days of the quarter. Seventeen days, Mr. Snape's clerk, Mr. Jones, the surveyor, and the detective, it had been lying there all the while, under my hand a score of times a day, while I had been suffering one of the bitterest conflicts a man can suffer for it.

When I looked round, with the will in my trembling hand, there stood my father and the two clerks from the outer office, who had rushed in on hearing my shout, while through the door which they had left open, a lucky unit of the public surveyed the scene.

"Old Lawrence's will!" I gasped, and the unit immediately darted into the streets to proclaim the discovery.

Almost before I could recover my voice, which sounded choked and unnatural in my own ears, or had risen from my knees and picked up the fallen drawer, the outer office was invaded by a crowd of excited and anxious inquirers, some of whom pressed into our sanctum, and began shaking hands with me in that frenzy of good-will and congratulation which now and then breaks out among the sympathizing public.

Old Lawrence's relatives were not long behind their townspeople; they came in agitated numbers, Katie and her father among them, with Mr. Grey, who had been spending his Christmas at Thornbury. She looked pale, and my heart smote me for my base, treacherous, insane suspicions of her. She neither glanced at me nor spoke to me, and when my father invited all the relatives and Mr. Snape to go on into the house, she passed me, as I stood humbly at the door, with averted eyes and a high, dignified carriage.

As both Grey and Snape were present, it was unanimously agreed that the will should be opened and read upon the spot. Several persons, with no immediate interest in it, had made their way into our drawingroom, and as nobody seemed inclined to turn them out, I also remained, standing against the fireplace, and watching steadfastly for some glance from Katie's eyes.

Mr. Snape opened the will sharply, and started off at reading it, with none of his professional deliberation and delay, but as if he was as eager to get at its contents as any person present. It was a short document, and did not take many minutes to get through at the pace he read it. The property was worth about £70,000; thirty thousand of which was left in legacies to old Lawrence's brothers and sister, and the residue bequeathed to the testator's beloved niece, Catherine Lawrence, on the sole condition that she married Henry Slaney, the son of his old friend George Slaney, Postmaster of Thornbury. If otherwise, it was to be divided equally among his brothers and sister.

All that followed may easily be guessed. I had to make a thousand protestations of my love, and implore Katie again and again to consent to be my wife—a thing which we had both taken for granted years before old Lawrence's will was lost in the post office. My situation remained my own, until she relented, which she did not do until, by my father's advice, I confessed to her the reasons which had caused my change of manner toward her; the painful suspicions which had thrust themselves upon me, and the bitter sorrow they had produced. We were married at last, to the concealed disappointment and chagrin of her affectionate relatives; and I ceased to be among the number of post office clerks.

THE PLIGHTED TROTH.

On the sands, the yellow sands,
Sat two lovers musingly,
Clasping tight each other's hands,
Sadly looking toward the sea.

"I shall sail in yonder ship,"
Said the youth unto the maid,
"Ere to-morrow's sun shall dip,
From my sight the shore will fade;

But my heart with thee will dwell,
As it dwells by thee to-day,
And I only say farewell,
To return and ever stay."

Then the maiden whispered low,
"I shall think of thee, dear love;
Joy may yet give place to woe,
Still my heart will constant prove."

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Years have come, and years have fled,
Since the lovers made their vow;
Fears arose and tears were shed—
But they are united now.

'Neath the ocean's ruthless wave,
Buried deep, the sailor lies;
O'er the maiden's grassy brown grave
Soft and low the night-wind sighs.

[*Once a Week.*

MANNERS PAST AND PRESENT.—I fancy it is one of my old-fashioned ideas—that women would try to live up to a higher standard, to appear and to be better, if men held them in the same estimation as formerly; and that men would not be quite so odious, so coarse, so ignorant, so selfish, so ill-mannered as they are if women showed them that they expected them to be otherwise, and were not so tolerant when they fell short of their expectations. The "old-fashioned courtesy," which is extinct in manners, was rely upon it, an external indication of a very different moral position held by women from that which they now occupy. This had its terrible place and power under the former *regime* also; but they were more distinct from the place and the power of virtue, honor and respectability than they are now, and surely that was something to be valued. It cannot have been valued as it ought to have been by women, for it must always have been in their power to maintain, to enforce the distinction, to prevent the [illegible] mingling and blending of the ideas [illegible] manners of two separate social worlds. They have abrogated those prerogatives [illegible] will probably find it difficult to resume, when the consequences of unsexing themselves, which they have brought on themselves, shall have driven them to try to restore the former order of things.—*Anne Mozley on Heroes," in Tinsley's Magazine.*

A PROVINCIAL BALL IN FRANCE.—It was a curious sight, this ballroom in the provinces. On the two long sides of the saloon were two rows of seats, one in front of the other, those against the wall being raised fauteuils, rising above the chairs in front. On this back row of raised fauteuils sat in all their majesty the aristocratic and wealthy dowagers of R——. So haughty and starched did they look, with their satin-lined opera cloaks, their bejeweled eyeglasses, their grey hair arranged *à la mode*, and their rich lace caps disposed with matronly dignity, that they reminded one of the Senate scene in "Othello," and seemed a bench of stern Venetian judges, considering the pros and cons of holy matrimony. There they sat, the long line of shrewd old schemers, deeply intent on their game, acting the Gorgon to one young man and the would-be mother-in-law to another, according to circumstances. On the seat below each sat her blooming (natural and artificial) daughter or daughters, watched over by mamma with too anxious care, exhibited in the matrimonial mart, and looking as her sweetest and modestest with all her little might. Now the reason why the carriages had been in such haste to reach the prefecture, was clear. The old dowagers were running a race for the best seats. As the ambitious gardener or fruiterer will strain every nerve to secure the most prominent and accessible stall in the market where to display his carefully-prepared and tastefully-arranged stock, so did these "old campaigners" of the province have their carriages at the door exactly at the stated moment, calculate to the nicety of a second how to arrive at the prefecture just long enough before the hour of invitation to enter the saloon as the clock strikes, and to lose no time in appropriating the most eligible seats for self and daughters, those most eligible seats being the ones most conspicuous and easiest of approach for mesdames les douairières. This great point gained—and everybody knows how important it is for a general, military or social, male or female, to have the choice of his ground—madame would enthrone herself aloft, and her daughters would take the seats below her; and mamma would fix a ribbon here and a curl there, stooping from her eminence for the purpose, and would then lie back, and with her eyeglass take a deliberate survey of the general effect with an exhaustive *coup d'œil*.

Thus the ladies, old and young, encamped in a double row of seats, extending on either side the length of the room. The gentlemen are grouped together in a thick kaleidoscopic bunch near the door, kaleidoscopic because of the variety and gaygorgeousness of their apparel. They are absorbed in diligently ogling the double line of fair ones, in making out a mental list of partners, remarking to each other things complimentary and otherwise of the dear ladies. The orchestra strikes up, and the bunch of the stronger sex breaks up and spreads along the row of seats, eyes dot dances in hand. Every gentleman has the right to ask any lady whom he chooses to dance, whether he knows her or not. Introductions are not come at family. The prudent man, however, he who is well versed in the manners of society, will first take the precaution to conciliate madame by asking her permission to ask mademoiselle for her hand in the next quadrille. Madam runs her eye rapidly over him, glances keenly at his face, and then, if the scrutiny is satisfactory, grants his petition. Yes to one she knows all about him, though his eyes may never have rested on her before; is well up in his antecedents; knows his fortune within a thousand; and could tell him off-hand who his great-grandfather was. As he takes his place on the floor with mademoiselle, madame keeps a never-wavering watch upon the couple. Every smile he gives her, every time he keeps a lingering grasp on her hand at the conclusion of a figure, every glance of fear or other which may betray a growing fancy, or be the accompaniment of a delicate compliment, all is noted by the "old campaigner," who sits and calculates, and hopes for a happy denouement and marriage bells. If she is pleased with monsieur, he may safely linger by his partner's side after she has resumed her seat, and then madame listens with vast content to his gracefully murmured speeches, and ballads her *château en Espagne* higher and more beauteous than ever. Still, she never suffers them from her sight. If monsieur invites mademoiselle to take refreshment, he must include madame also, and he presses through the throng with mamma and daughter on either arm. Nor will he dare to ask to be permitted to call on mademoiselle on the day succeeding the ball to inquire after her health after so much excitement. His only chance to speak with her is at the ball itself. Even if he is really smitten, the charming *tête-à-têtes* of a lover are denied him; he must his him to a notary, and send him as ambassador to plead for him at the paternal hearthstone. So is the fashion regarding courtship and marriage in provincial France.—*London Society.*

INTELLECTUAL CORRUPTION.

From the Saturday Review.

It is curious to reflect how much an author may do to corrupt the heart or the head, and how he may nevertheless, so long as he does not sin in one point, escape all censure. If he can only keep his book free from what is called immorality—that is to say, if he can either ignore one side of human conduct altogether, or else only touch upon it in the recognized conventional manner—he may give his readers the falsest notions of human life, he may pervert their taste, he may render them as weak as sentimentality alone can render them, he may lead them to relish nothing that is not seasoned with the most outrageous incidents and coincidences, and he may still remain an author whose works would be placed by any mother in the hands of any daughter. It is strange how blind the respectable world usually is to all literary faults save one. So long as a book is not licentious, it is held that it cannot be a bad book. We are inclined to question, however, whether that which corrupts the intellect does not do as much harm as that which corrupts the so-called morality. The tendency of a great deal of the literature of the present day is to give people a thoroughly false idea of life. Our novels, with their sickly sentimentality, their morbid self-analysis, their hateful sensationalism, help to train up a set of young men and young women quite unfit for the humdrum duties and pleasures which must constitute the greater part of each one's life. It is not merely the rank and file of our novelists who offend. Their tendency is now, as it always has been, merely to exaggerate the errors of their chiefs. There is not one of our leading novelists who has not much to answer for, and we hardly know on whom we should lay most blame. Mr. DICKENS perhaps ranks as the chief offender, for he it is who has worked sentimentality to such an extent as would have raised, if that were possible, a blush even on STERNE's brow. When the author of the *Sentimental Journey* was going to play his tricks on his reader's eyes, at all events he chose as his subject a jackass, and a dead one too. If death is to be tricked out so as to work upon our emotions, if it is to be constantly drawing upon our tears, we must confess that for our part we feel less ashamed at the tear we dropped over the defunct donkey than at those we have shed in turn over Mr. DICKENS' long line of dying heroes. At all events, the Rev. Mr. STRAKER only killed his donkey once; while Mr. DICKENS will never have done with his favorite character—his half-idiot or his sickly child—and so get done with him. We confess that, whenever we have begun one of Mr. DICKENS' novels, we have not felt quite easy in our minds till we have been able to discover which character it is that has been brought into this world solely with the view of being speedily ushered out of it. His children, from Little Dombey downward, might fairly rise up against him with the old reproachful question of the tombstone:

"What was I begun for,
To be so soon done for?"

To Mr. DICKENS the whole modern sentimental school must certainly look up as its head. He has been the source of a great deal of most tearful writing; might we suggest, if he stands in need of a motto, that *Hinc illæ lachrymæ* would be most appropriate? Mr. THACKERAY himself is not free from the same charge. He saw how easy the tear trick was to perform, and how applauses greeted his great rival each time he repeated it; unhappily he could not keep from trying it also. At imitation, of course, Mr. THACKERAY was perfect, and we must allow that Colonel Newcome's death quite equals, if it does not actually surpass, Mr. DICKENS' most lachrymose efforts. If CHARLES II. had lived nowadays, he would scarcely have thought it needful to apologize for being a most unconscionable time dying. The fashion has changed, apparently, since his time, and few can now get their dying done under half a dozen pages or so. We altogether protest against these death-bed scenes; we have had enough of them, and more than enough. Henceforth, if a man has to die, let him,

witnessed one of the most beautiful phenomena in nature. Slight showers, such as have filled the atmosphere and disappeared with almost the first rays of the rising sun, have left a film like a dissolving veil, a feathery coating of ice crystals covered every object far and near; the surfaces of the endless fields of snow our sleigh, the backs of our horses, the clothing of the driver, and the forest from the roots of the trees to the tips of the smallest twigs—everything that the eye fell upon was covered with a heavy coating of these flat crystals, reflecting everywhere the rays of the sun, like a universal incrustation of diamonds. The telegraph wires over our heads had the appearance of a jewelled cord an inch thick. No description can convey an idea of the enchantment of the appearance of this scene, which was visible for a few minutes, and then vanished with almost magic suddenness before the first warmth of the sun. This phenomenon is apparently caused by the evaporation of the overflowing water of the Angara into an atmosphere of a far lower temperature.—*Across America and Asia, by Professor Raphael Pumpelly. Advance sheets.*

IN THE FALL.

From All the Year Round.

The old autumnal stillness holds the wood;
This mist of Autumn makes the day a dream;
And country sounds fall faint, half understood
And half unheeded, as to sick men seem
The voices of their friends when death is near;
And earth grows vaguer to the tired ear.

At soft gray dawns and softer evening ends
The air is echoless and dull with dews;
And leaves hang loose, and whosoever wends
His way through woods is aware of altered hues
And alien tints; and oft with hollow sound
The chestnut husk falls rattling to the ground.

Now comes the faint warm smell of fresh-built ricks,
And empty fields look up at empty skies,
And smoke floats sidelong from the burning quicks,
And low across the stunted stubble flies
The whirring covey, till its wings have grown
A murmur—then, a memory alone.

Now, haply on some sunless afternoon
When brooding winds are whispering to the leaves,
Shrill twittered half-notes fill the air, and soon
From farm-house thatch and cosey cottage eaves
The circling swallows call their eager brood
And straight fly South, by unseen Summers wooed.

A certain sadness claims these Autumn days,
A sadness sweeter to the poet's heart
Than all the full-fed joys and lavish rays
Of riper suns; old wounds, old woes, depart;
Life calls a truce, and Nature seems to keep
Herself a hush to watch the world asleep.

A FATHER OF OPERA.

JEAN BAPTISTE DE LULLI, the eminent French musician and composer, was born at Florence in 1633. When a mere child, he left the land of his birth; but not until an old shoemaker had taught him how to play the guitar. He was brought to Paris by the Chevalier DE GUISE, and presented by him to the Princess DE MONTPENSIER; for he had promised to bring her back a little boy from Italy. Subsequent history justified the selection the Chevalier had made; but at that time slight regard was paid to the foreign child, and he was sent into Mademoiselle's kitchen. Engaged in menial offices, he found recreation and delight in music. He purchased a cheap and broken-down violin, with which he made unto himself sweet music. It soon came to be known that the Italian boy could play skillfully. The Princess was told the story of it. She heard him, and preferred him in her corps of musicians. But LULLI was ungrateful. He spoke evil things of the Princess, and published verses reflecting injuriously upon her. He was dismissed, and from that time the vices of his Southern nature grew and strengthened themselves with the growth of his unrivaled talents.

He did not long remain without employment. The time was singularly favorable for the rapid rise of genius, and LULLI hastened to introduce himself to royal notice. He knew that if he could secure the King's favor, he might defy competition. For it was the time of LOUIS XIV.—that bad and brilliant time, when great and illustrious thinkers engaged in miserable rivalry for the sordid favors of the Court, and beauty of form and expression was held to be of more value than the discovery of truth. The King was the patron of literary and artistic talent. The national intellect was enslaved and impoverished under the closest system of protection. To be recognized by the monarch was the only avenue to distinction. LULLI's first step was to obtain a position in the King's band of violins. From that time he enjoyed uninterrupted success. He set himself vigorously to work as a composer. He trained a new band of violins, which rapidly became the best band in France, and he had not then completed his twentieth year. He took a leading part in the games which the King furnished to the people. The airs de ballet, to which the King danced, were composed by him. He was introduced to MOLIERE, as great in France as SHAKESPEARE in England, and wrote the airs for his comedies. MOLIERE would employ no other pen than his. In return, MOLIERE wrote parts for LULLI; and LULLI went upon the stage as a comedian and a dancseur. He played *Pourceaugnac* in 1669, and, in his flight from the theatre, jumped boldly in among the orchestra, scattering instruments, and causing consternation among the musicians, to the great delight of the King and spectators. No music pleased as did his. The King would listen to no other. Mme. DE SEVIGNE could find no adequate expression for her admiration but in tears. "She could not think there was any other music in the heavens."

The King was no niggard in the bestowal of his favors. He showered goodness on his favorite, and the favorite got rich and saucy. He was naturalized as a French subject. Letters patent authorized him to found at Paris a Royal Academy of Music, out of which grew the French opera, which Cardinal MAZARIN had attempted to establish, but unsuccessfully. His work was immense, and his success amazing. He brought together and trained the actors and actresses, he reorganized the ballet, and established the orchestra, which up to that time had had no existence. He was director of the theatre, manager, master of the ballet, composer of the music; and he had besides to preside over the complicated machinery for giving due and adequate representation to the compositions of his genius. Nineteen operas of his have come down to us, and are still high in the estimation of connoisseurs. QUINAULT, the unrivaled poet of French music, whose lines were already music before they came to the composer's hand, worked in partnership with LULLI. The method of mutual work was this: QUINAULT drew up sketches of operas, and laid them before the King, who selected one. LULLI studied the sketch plan, and made himself acquainted with it. He then wrote the music with variations, put in the dances and composed the overture, while the poet versified the piece. When QUINAULT had finished he read his work to the French Academy, and made such corrections in it as were suggested to him by that learned and cultivated body. If LULLI was satisfied with the poem he wrote off the melody and the bass, and tossed the sheets, still wet, to his pupils, LALOUETTE and COLASSE, who inserted the orchestral parts; for LULLI deeply detested the manual labor of composition. Then the piece was ready for representation.

LULLI was much sought after. His wit was bold and vagrant, and many noble men and women visited at his house, and sat with him while he worked. Before the production of "Armide," one of his operas, he was very sick. His confessor insisted that he should burn the score of the opera, or he would not give him absolution. For at that time Romanism was at war with the theatre, and all professional actors were pronounced to be in a condition of mortal sin, and doomed, if they died in their profession, to eternal perdition. LULLI bought his absolution by apparent compliance. The Prince of Conti, who was visiting him the same day, said to him, "BAPTISTE, BAPTISTE, have you destroyed so valuable a work?" "Never mind," said the patient, "I knew what it was about; I have another copy." Meanwhile he bargained and secured respect to exalted people. At one of the plays given by the Court, the Elevation, which at that time spent in preparation, and sent to sleep, LULLI replied, "the King is master here; he may weary himself as much as he chooses."

LULLI died in 1687, in the 55th year of his age. His character has been much aspersed. He is represented as a low, groveling, mean courtier, selfish and jealous, brutal and insolent to those beneath him. It is said that he made use of his position at Court to ruin and humble every artist that stood in his way, or seemed likely to attract the Royal attention; that he persistently persecuted CAMBERT and BERNIER, and drove his pupil LALOUETTE from the orchestra, because he acknowledged himself the author of an incomparable piece of music. He is described as a little creature of shabby appearance and slovenly gait. His eyes, small and piercing, were edged with a red echinulsh color, and shone with a dim lustre, betraying no less malice than spirit. A mocking, leering expression sat upon his features, and eager restless movements dominered in his manner. The same unfriendly hand states that he was feared for his cleverness and cunning, and died unregretted.

But such a portrait of LULLI must be received with great caution. It is drawn in anger, and by an enemy. No doubt he was ambitious, unscrupulous, avaricious; but, like most men, he had some redeeming qualities. Besides outwitting the priests, he was a good husband and a good father, and his wife had no fault to find with him. He labored incessantly; not, as we believe, because he loved money and loved power, but from a pure love of work for its own sake. He belonged to that hierarchy of talent to whom work is meat and drink—and idleness, degradation. He married MADELEINE LAMBERT, who brought him a substantial dowry. It was a happy marriage. LULLI knew how to make money, and Madame at home knew how to turn it to good account. His houses, of which he had several in Paris, were remarkable for their good management. Without waste and without sumptuousness of living, there was no penuriousness. He had three sons, two of whom, with less success, followed their father's profession. He died enormously rich, 680,000 livres of gold being found in his possession.

As a musician, LULLI was celebrated for the versatility of his genius; operas, symphonies, airs de ballet, occasional pieces, variations, Miserereas, Liberas, Jubilates, Te Deums—all were familiar, easy work to him. But his fame chiefly reposes on the music of his operas and lyrical tragedies, which appeared in quick succession from the establishment of the French opera in 1672 to his death, fifteen years afterwards. If we compare his style with that of the great Italian musicians of his time, we shall find nothing at first sight which does not belong to them in common. The choruses and the system of instrumentation recall the manner of CARISSIMI; the airs are copied from CAVALLI; but we do not find a difference in the strength of the dramatic passion which lives in and animates his compositions. It was the passion of his Southern nature, breathing of the vines, and glory, and gloom of Italy; the power of forcible expression, of deep feeling, that gave his works their lasting strength and hold over men's hearts. They were the first fruits of true, noble art in France. RAMEAU, who came after him, with all his power, could not drive from the stage the works of his forerunner. It required no less than the sublime inspirations of GLUCK to shatter the foundations of that great popularity. The last representation of an opera of LULLI's ("Theseus") was given in 1778. It was then 103 years since it had first appeared on the stage. In the same year were played "The Armide," "Iphigénie," and "Orphée," of GLUCK, and the "Roland" of PICCINI. In such imposing company were celebrated the musical obsequies of the founder of the French opera.

LULLI's works have their defects, and modern connoisseurship may smile disdainfully at the mention of his name. But be that as it may, the strains that he propounded struck a chord that vibrated through the land; and for more than a generation they were listened to and loved by a people educated, susceptible and discriminating. He wielded a magician's power in the fininess, strength and quality of his expression, though he was open to censure for his lame periods, his instrumentation feeble at times, his halting finales, and the undue repetition of melodious phrases. We can only do full justice to an artist by placing ourselves among the circumstances in which he lived, and examining the sources and amount of influence which he exercised; and it is in such an examination that the full worth of LULLI becomes conspicuous. Before his time nothing that could be called music, as we know it, had any existence. The "recitative" was unknown. There was no music but little ballads and lyric pieces. The union of music with the drama, the choruses, that were introduced in to support the piece, and to lend to it strength and majesty, were undreamt of. Their introduction was part of the revolution which LULLI brought out. His was the creative and directing mind. He presided over the birth of the French opera. He nursed it through its infant years, and gave it heart and strength; and when he died, he saw it firmly fixed in the seat that his hands had fashioned for it.—*Peoples' Magazine.*

THE SPANISH STATE CARRIAGE HOUSE.—The carriages were brought suddenly up to a gate with the royal arms over it; and here we were introduced to as queer an exhibition as the eye has often looked on. This was the State carriage house, where there is a museum of huge old tumble-down gilded coaches of the last century, lying here, mouldy and dark, in a sort of limbo. The gold has vanished from the great lumbering old wheels and panels; the velvets are wofully tarnished. When one thinks of the patches and powder that have simpered out of those plate-glass windows—the mitred bishops, the big-wigged marshals, the shovel-hatted abbes which they have borne in their time—the human mind becomes affected in no ordinary degree. Some human minds heave a sigh for the glories of bygone days; while others, considering rather the lies and humbug, the vice and servility, which went framed and glazed and cushioned, creaking along in those old Juggernaut cars, with fools worshiping under the wheels, console themselves for the decay of institutions that may have been splendid and costly, but were ponderous, clumsy, slow and unfit for daily wear. The guardian of these defunct old carriages tells some prodigious fibs concerning them; he pointed out one carriage that was six hundred years old in his calendar; but any connoisseur in bricabrac can see it was built at Paris in the Regent Orleans' time.—*Thackeray's Miscellanies, Fields, Osgood & Co.'s Edition.*

THE JAPANESE FORTUNE-TELLER.—The fortune-teller holds in his hand a tube containing a large number of sticks like crochet-needles, while before him is a case containing one hundred or more drawers. With a few coins we buy the right to try our luck in reading the future. The old man shakes the box and we each pull out a stick with a number on it, which we find corresponds to a numbered box, from which the priest hands us a printed paper; this being in a mixture of Chinese and Japanese, and badly printed at that, is, if anything, a little harder to read than futurity itself. The result of years' hours of study with my teacher over this paper was the finding that it contained a good deal about clouds and water, an old man sitting under a cherry-tree—that part was obscure, but the words *kane* (money) and *kane* (lord) evidently pointed to wealth and promotion, but as I found out later that *kane* also means metal and crab, and *kane* means head, and paper and other things, I do not consider that the record of my destiny is yet unraveled.—*Across America and Asia. Advance sheets.*

FEARFUL FOLK.—Fearful folk are always on the brink of ruin. They cannot wait to see how things will turn before they despair, and they cannot hope for the best in a bad pass. They are engulfed in abysses that never open, and they die a thousand deaths before the supreme moment actually arrives. The smallest difficulties to them are like the straws placed crosswise, over which no witch could pass; the beneficent action of time, either as a healer of sorrow or a revealer of hidden mercies, is a word of comfort they cannot accept for themselves, how true soever it may be for others; the doctrine that chances are equal for good as well as for bad is what they will not understand; and they know of no power that can avert the disaster, which perhaps is simply a possibility not even probable, or which their own fears only have arranged. If they are professional men, having to make their way, they are forever anticipating failure for to-day and absolute destruction for to-morrow; and they become the foes of the wife and children sure to be left to poverty by their untimely decease, when the chances are ten to one in favor of the proportioned threescore and ten years of healthy life, suffering, yet happy, and a mere fraction of current loss. Yet they often wish to die, preferring Hamlet's destiny by shunning the mystery of unknown ills preferable to the reality of those they have on hand. They have a predilection for all terrifying prophecies, and cast the horoscope of the earth and foretell the destruction of the universe with marvelous exactitude. Their minds are set to the trick of foreboding, and they live in the habit of fear, as others live in the habit of hope, of resignation, or of careless good humor and indifference. There is nothing to be done with them. Like drinking or palsy, or a nervous headache, or a congenital deformity, the habit is hopeless when once established; and those who have begun by fear and omnidea and foreboding, will live to the end in the atmosphere they have created for themselves. The man or woman whose mind is once haunted by the nightly fear of a secreted burglar will go on looking for his beds so long as eyesight and the power of locomotion continue; and no failure in past Apocalyptic interpretations will shake the believer's faith in those of which the time for fulfillment has not yet arrived. It is a trick which has rooted, a habit that has grown by use into a formation; and there it must be left, as something beyond the power of reason to remedy or of experience to destroy.—*Saturday Review.*

ENGLISH UNIVERSITIES.

Encouragement of Poor Students—How they Manage—Criticism of a Recent Magazine Article.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

The current number of the *Galaxy* contains an article on the English universities, generally so just and correct as to make one regret all the more that it should be marred by some passages in which the writer has either exaggerated or generalized too hastily.

Thus, when he observes "how little the intellectual greatness of England, at the present moment, owes to the universities," leaving out of view other considerations, (and I might adduce several,) he entirely omits the indirect influence. For instance, in his list of leading Englishmen not university graduates, the name of CARLYLE naturally occupies a conspicuous place. But CARLYLE has been associating with university graduates nearly all his life, and his favorite club (the Sterling) was founded by and is almost exclusively composed of university men. I suspect that GEORGE GROTE should be placed in the same category; one of his brothers was a Fellow of Trinity and Professor of Moral Philosophy at Cambridge.

Again, it is asserted, "when the system had reached its height, say any time before the last twenty and within the last fifty years, it might be said with almost literal truth that no Dissenter, no Roman Catholic, and no man *from the poorer classes* had anything to do with either of the two great universities supposed to be national."

The words which I have italicized were certainly news to me. I was at an English university more than twenty years ago, and it seemed to me that I knew some poor men and sons of poor parents. One of my most intimate friends had been not "almost" but quite literally a charity boy. The late Dr. WHEWELL was the son of a country joiner, surely there was a representation of the poorer classes. I presume everybody who reads novels or plays has heard of sizars, and what were sizars ever supposed to be except poor sons of poor parents. Has the writer in the *Galaxy* any definite idea of the number of sizars in a college like St. John's, Cambridge? I venture to affirm that on comparison it will be found greater than the number of "beneficiaries" at Yale, not only relatively but absolutely greater.

Some colleges have a reputation, so to speak, for poor students. St. John, above mentioned, the great mathematical college and senior wrangler nursery of Cambridge, is one of these. It holds out particular advantages to its sizars, as readers of HENRY KIRKE WHITE will remember. Jesus College, Oxford, much frequented by Welshmen, is another. Does any one ask how poor students can exist in so expensive a place? It is owing to the extremely liberal rewards bestowed in England on certain branches of learning. A clever boy will go up from his school with an "exhibition," as it is called, of £50 a year, lasting through his under-graduate course. At the end of his first year he may get a college scholarship, worth £60 more. There he is with an assured income of $700, (gold,) and even at an English university it is quite possible to subsist on that sum. My friend, the ex-charity boy, had so many sources of emolument from school, college and university that in his third year, after paying all expenses, he actually laid by about $150. Of course, this was the case of a man taking high honors, but the majority of the exhibitioners and sizars are only required to behave themselves and pass respectably. The rules about sizars vary in different colleges, but we may say, in general, that they are lodged and taught at half price and boarded gratuitously.

Allow me to conclude with two illustrative anecdotes:

An undergraduate of another college presented himself at the porter's lodge of Jesus, (Oxford.) "In what staircase does Mr. Jones keep?" "Eleven Mr. Jonesses in college, Sir." "Mr. John Jones, I mean." "Seven Mr. John Jonesses, Sir." "It's Mr. Jones who gives a wine party; he asked me to it." "All right, Sir, only one Mr. Jones as drinks wine. Staircase G, Sir."

I am almost afraid the point of this may be lost on some American readers. The not drinking wine was a symptom, not of aquarianism, but of poverty.

I had a friend at Cambridge. His name was not exactly Smith, but we will call him so. Though not precisely a representative of the poorer classes, he was in very moderate circumstances, and had to fight his own way, which he did with a will. Personal appearances were against him; he was small, shy, awkward and much the reverse of careful in his get-up. In due time Smith came to be Senior Wrangler, and, having chosen the Bar for his profession, went to London to read with a legal tutor, the equivalent of going to a law school with us. It so happened that the tutor to whom he applied was a fashionable "coach," in great repute, and something of a swell himself. It was not easy to get audience of him, and when it was granted, he viewed with scarcely disguised contempt the small, shabby man before him, and resumed his writing with the question, "Are you aware, Sir, that a university education is a requisite preliminary?" Sunth timidly remarked that he was a Cantab. "What college?" "Trinity." "What degree?" "Senior Wrangler." The questioner bounced off his chair with the agility of a clown in a pantomime: "Mr. Smith, I'm delighted to make your acquaintance and to receive you as a pupil! Would you like to come at 10 to-morrow?"

A certain very distinguished New-York editor is reported to have once said that of all horned cattle college graduates, who had taken honors, were the worst. I do not think, however, it would be fair to draw an inference from this as to the respective value of learning in the two countries.

CARL BENSON.

The End of a Great Mining Speculation in Oregon.

From the Portland Oregonian, Oct. 23.

A few years ago all Oregon was agog with the excitement over the supposed untold riches of the Santiam gold and silver mines. Dozens, nay, almost hundreds, of joint stock companies were organized; millions of joint stock was issued, wasting heaps and heaps of bank-note paper, and hundreds of men put their hundreds of hands into their hundreds of pockets and pulled out hundreds of dollars—thousands, some of them—which they were destined never to see again—in this life. Mining stocks went up like rockets and came down like burnt sticks, and people with burnt fingers were thicker even than the burnt sticks. The following from the *Statesman* records the "positively last" appearance of Santiam upon the "public board": "Our townsmen, Messrs. J. E. MOORES and GEORGE A. EADES, returned Tuesday from the desolate regions on the head waters of the Santiam, once the scene of so many hopes, on the strength of the prospective value of which so many companies were incorporated, launching their stock upon the world. A host of expectations were created by Santiam discoveries; tens of thousands of dollars were expended in constructing a road, opening mines, building dwellings, and in erecting a saw mill and quartz mill. The work was well done and proved expensive beneath great results were hoped for and no pains were spared to provide the needed means and appliances. Santiam stock is now no better than waste paper, the buildings are literally the habitations only of bats and owls, and the dreary tunnels are hideous holes. They are fast falling in, and the anticipated dividends, instead of pouring out the anticipated dividends, shed with misery of past expectation and failure. The saw mill has been transported elsewhere to what have been more fruitful fields of labor, and the wrought iron work of the quartz mill hauled away, as the only material of sufficient value to pay for transportation. The buildings still stand, and the heavy castings of the stamp batteries await any future time that may require their aid.

SCIENTIFIC.

Carbonic Acid Gas as a Fire Extinguisher.

In this age of inventive genius, it is impossible to aver to what lengths we are to go in the matter of improvement, so far as pertains to everything connected with our social well-being. One after another there come up for public attention new applications of scientific principles to the wants of the community. Steam fire engines have taken the place of the old hand machines; and while there is now greater certainty of subduing a conflagration than there was under the old volunteer department, the community is at the same time rid of the pestiferous belongings of that exploded system. Whether still greater advances in this connection are to be made, the future must determine. Already the theory of using carbonic acid gas, in lieu of water, for extinguishing fires, has been put into operation, and from the practical experiments that have been made there is foreshadowed, to say the least, a degree of success which forbids any hasty condemnation of the new plan. The two exhibitions given at the Battery by the Empire Fire Extinguishing Company, of this City, have heretofore been alluded to in the TIMES. Nothing new can be claimed as to proving the already well-known fact that carbonic acid gas will certainly extinguish fire. The inventive mind has, however, long been applied to the devising of means whereby this agent can be made ever ready for instantaneous use, and so operated as not to endanger life or to cause undue destruction of property. It is now claimed that the gas can be made at a very cheap cost, and in sufficient quantities to warrant its introduction into large cities for extinguishing fires, instead of water, which is the only means relied on for that purpose. It is proposed to build in every city large works for the manufacture of this gas, which is to be kept in immense retorts, or reservoirs, such as now supply our illuminating gas, and from these works to lay pipes in the same manner as gas and water pipes are put down, and thus convey the extinguishing material into all sections of the city, and, if required, into every dwelling. The normal pressure of this gas upon the pipe, owing to its density, would necessarily be about five pounds to the square inch; but it is claimed that, by a simple piece of mechanism, attached to the conduit, this pressure may be increased to forty pounds per square inch, which would suffice to fill any apartment where a fire occurs in a very short space of time. The fact that carbonic acid gas is much heavier than atmospheric air is well known; and we may imagine the tendency this material would have in smothering a flame, if the apartment wherein a fire breaks out were speedily surcharged with it. Owing to its greater specific gravity, too, this gas might be very readily used through hope, in the same manner as water is, and thus be directed upon any particular point. Should the theory prove to be as successful in its general results as it has been demonstrated to be in isolated experimental cases, losses by fire must be very materially reduced. And another consideration of practical importance here presents itself. It often happens that the actual loss by fire is small, while that arising from the water used to quench it is very great, especially in cases where combustion takes place in stores containing valuable goods. The adoption of the new system has in its favor the fact that this destruction of valuables by water would be avoided, as the carbonic acid gas would prove injurious to them in the smallest possible degree, if, indeed, at all. Means might be provided, (supposing the theory to be feasible,) whereby the Police could reach the extinguishing pipe in all our large warehouses, stores and other places in the business portions of the City which are, at night, uninhabited, turn on the gas, and put an end to the combustion before, according to the method now in vogue, an effective alarm can be given. The proposed system may be practically inutile; but the great advantages accruing from its successful application render it worthy, to say the least, of serious consideration; especially as those who favor its adoption insist that the cost of supplying the gas will fall far below that which now attaches to the usual method of extinguishing conflagrations. The subject is one which scientific gentlemen might discuss with great profit to the community.

The American Institute Medal of Honor—The Lyall Positive Motion Loom.

The TIMES of Sunday last announced that the large medal of honor of the American Institute was awarded to Mr. JAMES LYALL, of this City, for the positive motion loom, which, among all the articles on exhibition at the late Fair, attracted the greatest attention. According to the by-laws of the Institute,

"The large medal of honor designating the highest premium to be awarded by the managers for any article unless its practical value shall exceed that of any similar one in use known to the managers, or intended to accomplish the same purpose."

This is the first and only prize of this character awarded by the Institute, and the award is in every way well deserved. If the future career of the invention be as brilliant as its inception, it is destined to become, not only of national, but of world-wide importance.

The width of textures produced upon looms has hitherto been limited to the distance a shuttle could be thrown, either by hand or power, with certainty and precision; and the application of power to projecting the shuttle through the web has been found deficient in the accuracy necessary to produce the finest qualities of silks and linens, these textures being woven by hand. The newly-invented loom has satisfactorily demonstrated that both these obstacles are now overcome and that the shuttle may be carried to any distance, through any width of texture, with perfect safety and precision. In weaving, the motion employed to accomplish this result draws the shoot of the weft perfectly tight, until the warp is crossed over it, thus securing a perfect selvage, and rendering the production of fine silks and linens henceforth possible on power looms.

The action of the managers of the FAIR in bestowing upon this invention the great medal of honor, will, no doubt, meet the approval of all candid men who have witnessed its operation. The medal will be of gold, specially struck for the purpose, and is a trophy of which Mr. LYALL may well be proud.

Belle Boyd's Removal to an Insane Asylum.

From the Sacramento (Cal.) Union, Oct. 30.

Mrs. HAMMOND, better known as Belle Boyd, who became widely known during the war in consequence of her efforts to benefit the Southern Confederacy, and who has lately been giving readings in California, was yesterday taken to the Asylum at Stockton, having through sickness and mental excitement become insane. She was taken ill in this city several weeks since, and soon thereafter exhibited symptoms of mental disorder, these having increased, until finally her husband, who is nearly worn out with attendance upon her, reluctantly consented to her being placed under treatment at the Asylum.

A Catholic Married Under Difficulties.

From the Montreal Witness, Nov. 11.

A gentleman called at the *Witness* office yesterday to inform us that his brother had gone to confession last Saturday, in order to get the necessary certificate to present at the parish church to enable him to get married. The priest to whom he went was a Jesuit Father, who catechised him concerning his politics, and was in his latest edition a Liberal, asked if believed in the Institut Canadien. On learning that he had been proposed for membership, he refused a certificate of confession unless he would withdraw, and offered to write the letter of resignation to "that anathematized institution" (institution parvulorum.) This the candidate for the Rectory declined to accede to, and was refused a certificate, but told to call back on Monday. He was, however, presented with a small brass medal of a new description. The young man returned on Monday and then declined to break with the Institut Canadien, and the priest finally refused Sanctuary and left the aspirant cord that he had before him, and a certificate, and the reason of refusal. "Go, young man," said the curé, "*et sois prêtre*," and told him the certificate would not be wanted, but to come back next day and be married, which he accordingly did. Are our ultramontane friends the Jesuits not drawing the reins a little too tight? It is certainly rather strange to try to prevent a man from getting married because he is a member of the Institut Canadien.

FASHIONS FOR NOVEMBER.

From Le Follet.

The season has arrived when we must discard the light and airy materials of Summer wear, and adopt the more appropriate, though not less elegant warmer textures. English poplins are in great demand, and will become more so as the Autumn advances. Merinoes also—a tissue both light and soft—are beginning to appear. The toile d'Eve, the valencias glace and Scotch plaids are useful and solid, and make very pretty costumes. Thick white woolen dresses are made for children, trimmed generally with black velvet, and with double skirts, and a jacket with broad revers of velvet. Waistcoats and bodies with postillon, are suitable, and will be worn with the heavier materials for skirts. Cachemire also continues to be much worn, either with foulard or striped taffetas, as under-skirts and trimmings. The paletôt has reappeared, and become a novelty. It is indispensable for morning promenade or traveling and simple toilettes. The style is so convenient and becoming that, although abandoned for a time, it is sure to be a favorite again. The form has gained by the short exile; it is no longer the paletôt-sac, which sometimes concealed the elegant and pretty figure, but is shorter, and more shaped; the bottoms of the sleeves are larger and trimmed more fully. The paletôt is open from the waist behind, and falls in two points separated by bows at the waist. Lace, plaitings of silk and a frill, or oftener the same trimming as the dress is employed. Velvet, satin, moire antique, plush, cachemire and cloth are the novelties of the season. Poplin and moire, faille and satin, cachemire and velvet, compose the newest and most elegant costumes. Confections of velvet will be ornamented with passementerie au crochet. There is no longer a question as to the material for trimming the Autumn hat. Velvet, mixed with black jet, is the fixed mode; and nothing can replace it, however many other pretty ornaments may be adopted. For example, the toquets "Henri III." The style is sombre, and the buckles and ornaments, as well as the border on the edge of the hat, of jet, give it a bright and elegant appearance. The "Tyrrolien," so suddenly accepted as *la mode*, will continue to be worn during the Winter. It is made in felt in black or dark colors. Dark green, among other sombre shades, is in good taste. The crown is high and rather pointed. The trimmings are velvet, ribbons, jet and feathers. There are two or three narrow rows of velvet round the crown, to match the color of the felt. If trimmed with ribbon, it should be wide, crossed or tied behind, with the ends in small pans fringed. This style is suitable only for the young, to whom it gives a picturesque air. The Tyrrolien, worn with the robe de campagne begin to assimilate, and in the mixed form are not wanting in elegance. A black velvet hat, with trimming of lace and draperie of velvet thrown back in the style of the fisherman's cap, with a deep bright-colored flower placed over the ear, is very becoming. A black net scarf, half covering the hair, tied under the chin and rolled round the throat, gives it an Oriental appearance, and is either hat or visiting bonnet. Young ladies wear also straw hats, the edges tightly drawn up to the crown, the crown, being entirely covered with velvet or blue mauve, fastened down more. The edges are plain straw. A bow with long ends is placed behind to fall over the hair. The length of the rolled veils should be rather more than three yards of Donna Maria gauze. They are not drawn over the face, but turned round the hat and throat. The name "Corbeau" has been given to this style of vail, from a portrait of that Queen, who is drawn with one of white gauze encircling the face and throat. The sailor's hat has simply a ribbon round the crown. They are of a black or white straw. The "Wattteau" is a small round hat placed very forward over the brow. The trimming for this hat must be put quite at the back, which gives it a very raised appearance. The toque is still very fashionable, edged with black velvet. Two long ostrich feathers, crossed, fall over the chignon. The style of arranging the hair is essential, in order that the different forms of hats should preserve their individuality. The chignon is raised on the head; the rest of the hair falls on the neck in plaits or in a net. Curls accompany all styles of coiffure, and are either short at the ends of the bandeau, or quite long, falling over the shoulders. Little curls, with long and thick hair have it in simple plaits hanging down the back. Only very young children wear the hair waved behind, and drawn up from the forehead on each side, and tied with a bow on the summit of the head. The redingote resembles the robe "Princess," that is to say, without a seam at the waist. The revers on body form a sailor collar, open in front, and joining half way down the chest; it then widens, and makes a turned-back revers on the skirt. The color of the revers is blue or gold color, to suit the dress. Biases of the same trim the arm-hole and top of the bounce on the skirt, and bottom of the redingote and broad open cuffs, through which passes the broad lace of the white under-sleeve. White serge and white cachemire are used for robes de chambre, trimmed with colored velvet revers edged with white guipure. Velvet robes de chambre, fitting to the figure and wadded, have quilted satin revers.

We must describe some very rich and elegant toilettes, as well as others more simple. A toilette of white faille, with round skirt, trimmed with three biases of taffetas under three Valenciennes lace flounces. The tunique en redingote is trimmed in the way down the skirt, and is embroidered with small autumn leaves in different shades of green. The redingote is bouffée slightly behind by bias bands of taffetas covered with Valenciennes. The body is open en chale, with revers. "Louis XIV." sleeves, edged with a plaiting à la vieille on the edge, and sabot of Valenciennes. The sash, tied at the revers, is of brown faille. A fan bow of brown faille, mixed with Valenciennes lace, at the back. A toilette with train of gold-colored satin, with black velvet revers, edged with tuyautés of satin. The front of the skirt is an apron trimmed with three rows of quilled satin, separated by bias bands of black velvet terminating on tuyaux d'orgue. A black velvet sash, tied in two rings over the satin basque, and falling in two broad bans. Over the velvet body, which has a black satin, tuyautée collerette, terminated by a gold-colored satin, with bouillonnées sleeves, trimmed with a tuyauté of black satin, and deep black satin cuff lined with gold-colored satin. A toilet of violet satin, with a train. The skirt has a deep flounce lined with blue satin, and a double row of quilled satin, separated by a bias of black velvet, heads the flounce. The body is of violet velvet, with bouillonnées sleeves in the style of "HENRI III.," with bracelets of black velvet, edged with narrow quillings, continuing en tunique of small flounces of black velvet behind, and en tablier in front. A Venetian corset of white ground and stripes of violet in two shades and orange and groseille. A round costume of poplin, trimmed with velvet. The new shades are green, chestnut, golden brown, violet and sailor blue. A costume of black fays, with black velvet revers on the body and continuing down the skirt. A costume of Hortense satin and black velvet. The skirt, of satin, is trimmed with fringes of chenille with balls of Hortense satin, raised en revers at the sides and behind. A costume Alençon, composed of a black velvet skirt with three straight flounces, with headings lined with fuchsia-colored satin. A velvet tunique, separated into three basques—two rounded over the hips, and the back one turned en revers—lined with fuchsia-colored satin. The casaque fits behind with basques like the tunique. A luxurious wreath of velvet sweet peas, with fuchsia satin petals, forms the pouff and band behind. The top of the body is trimmed with a wreath of velvet flowers. The sleeves have sabots of velvet near the wrists. A robe Yvonne of black poult de soie, with a square apron terminated with a broad flounce in four plaits turned up en coiffes of green poult de soie. On each side of the apron is a large spiral plait mounting to the waist, and turning en basque eventail behind. The body is the gilet Breton in front, with the same plaiting on each side of the basques, and has a plaited basquette behind. The sleeves are ornamented with five plaitings, with cocottes joining them on the arm. The bottom of the skirt has a bias plaiting, turned up en cocottes. A collerette Bretonne is a novelty on this body.

The Reported Deficiency in a Newark Bank.

Alluding to the statement in our Washington dispatches on Friday that a package of $10,000 in fractional currency sent from a Newark national bank to the Treasury Department for redemption was found to be $9,000 short, the Newark *Advertiser* says:

"The bank in question, on the 11th of September last, sent a package of fractional currency to the United States Treasury for redemption, amounting to $10,000. In return for the short remittance from the Department for the previous package, the cashier gave special directions that the package of Sept. 11 should be carefully counted and proved before transmission. It was so counted and proved by three experienced and trustworthy officers three times separately, and in parties of two, and found at exactly $10,000 to contain $10,000, half of the whole amount being in fifty-cent bills. The package was carefully made up, sealed, and transmitted by express to the Treasury Department at Washington, and, by the time it reached the Department, received there without any intermission on the way, and containing all that was originally put in it. When received at Washington it was put in the hands of one person alone to count, who reported it short by $9,000. It was afterward counted by another person, who verified the previous shortage.

"The package, when made up by the bank, was so large to be marked in the usual way, and a smaller wrapper was made for it, which was made by unwrapping between the edges folds of newspapers of six or eight inches in width. A subsequent package containing the same amount in bills of the same description, as alleged by the Department to have been contained in the disputed package, when made up, was found to be easily inclosed in a wrapper made of paper of the same description and size, without the insertion of any additional paper to make it complete.

The officers of the bank believe that the money was lost in the Treasury Department after the package reached Washington; but they have not claimed that it was abstracted. They have supposed that the missing money may have been left in the wrappers, which were unfortunately thrown aside, and, after a thorough search, could nowhere be found. They do not conceive it to be their province to account for the manner of its loss in the office of the Department. It is as clear to them as facts and human testimony can make it that the package contained $10,000 when it left the bank; it is admitted by the Department that nothing was abstracted from it in its transmission. There is, therefore, no other solution of the case than that the loss occurred after it reached the Treasury Department.

In regard to the remark concerning alleged discrepancies in subsequent smaller packages, it is but just to observe that two only have been sent. In the first there was no discrepancy except what arose from counterfeits, mutilations, &c., which of course are not allowed; in the last, the small difference which occurred is due to the fact that it was made up by a new clerk, who had very recently been introduced into the bank to supply a place vacated by death."

BUCHIGNANI.

His Negotiations with Signor Pignatelli—How Much Citizens of Montreal Lose by Him.

The Montreal *Gazette*, in a sketch of the career of BUCHIGNANI, well known in this City for his marriage with Mrs. EATON, speaks of his flight to Europe with one of his wife's granddaughters, and adds:

"It was at this period of BUCHIGNANI's eventful career that he unfortunately met Signor PIGNATELLI; we say unfortunately, for knowing that the Signor was a member of a wealthy family of Italian nobles, he sought to bamboozle him, and succeeded. He commenced by saying that he was an American citizen, and married to one of the richest young women in the United States, who was yet a minor, and as such not entitled to her dowry. He was consequently in search of a capitalist prepared to take part in a venture which would certainly return ten or twelve per cent per annum, or far more than could be acquired from any speculation in Europe, and if the Signor was disposable would have no objection to throw the 'safe thing' in his way. Signor PIGNATELLI, before advancing the money, however, thought it well to make inquiries, and sounded two leading New-York bankers with regard to BUCHIGNANI's anticipations and standing. Their report was favorable (being deceived themselves), and acting upon it, Signor PIGNATELLI and one of his friends decided to honor BUCHIGNANI's drafts to the extent of $80,000. This sum he immediately drew and invested in silks, ribbons, velvets, laces, perfumery, and other articles, which he accompanied to New-York, leaving his wife in Europe with a very little money. As soon as he had sailed for America, the creditors who had supplied him with the silks and other goods with which he had stocked his first New-York store took it into their heads to cover themselves by seizing the consignment on its arrival at New-York, and simultaneously pounced upon the furniture, &c., left behind in Europe with the paramour. Her distress may be imagined. Almost penniless, and destitute of the shelter of a home, she appealed to the charity of Signor PIGNATELLI, who again exerted his good offices, and thanks to his influ

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

Two additional regiments of cavalry are to be added to the garrison at Paris. Another large demonstration was made in that city on Friday night in honor of ROCHEFORT, but the people were not disturbed by the police.

TOPETE, the Spanish Admiral, recently resigned, has been elected Vice-President of the Constitutional Cortes.

The Spanish Government, it is said, have received a dispatch from Florence, in which it is stated that the Italian Cabinet favor the project of making the Duke of GENOA King of Spain.

The Bishop of Havana has been arrested at Cadiz.

Senor GRENER, the Republican Deputy, lately arrested at Madrid, has been unconditionally relieved, and has gone to France. It is reported that the Government intends to release all the political prisoners now under arrest.

GEORGE PEABODY, just before his death, made an additional donation of £150,000 to the Peabody Fund in aid of the London poor.

Meetings have been called in England, and efforts are making, to prevent the confirmation of Mr. TEMPLE as Bishop of Exeter.

The French Empress left Cairo, Egypt, yesterday, for Alexandria.

GENERAL.

Late advices from Paraguay, by the way of Lisbon, are to the effect that 139 Brazilian soldiers had been surrounded by the forces of LOPEZ at Curuguaty, and the Prince D'EU was trying to effect their release. A new conspiracy was forming against LOPEZ, and Paraguayan officers who had come into the Allied lines represent his position as desperate.

The *Diario*, of Havana, in an editorial yesterday, designates the existence of an anti-Spanish element in Cuba as abnormal and transitory, as the enemies of Spain could not remain on the Island. There are but two classes of population, the writer continues, namely, Spaniards and foreigners, and the Cubans who favor Spain are Spaniards.

The remains of Major-General JOHN E. WOOL were interred yesterday at Troy. The funeral pageant was an imposing one, the procession occupying half an hour in passing a given point. Among those present were Governor HOFFMAN and staff and Generals MEADE, McDOWELL, HUNT, ARNOLD, HAGNER and others. Business in the city was suspended, and the occasion was made one of deep solemnity. The General was buried at Oakwood Cemetery.

A barn at Jenness Corner, in Epsom, N. H., was destroyed by fire on Friday night, and eight horses belonging to the contractor on the Suncook Valley Railroad were burned to death.

WILLIAM H. BOOTH, an old man aged 61 years, committed suicide by shooting himself on Friday, at the Home for Aged Men in Baltimore, Md.

A fire in Baltimore, Md., on Friday night, damaged a building, owned by MOSES WHITEFIELD, to the extent of $10,000, and destroyed property of the occupants to the amount of $40,000. The losses are covered by insurance.

Another break in the Erie Canal, at Oswego, is reported. It was to be repaired last night.

BENJAMIN SHELDON, the ticket agent of the Central Railway at Tonawanda, was killed yesterday while attempting to get on the cars at Buffalo.

The funeral of the late ROBERT J. WALKER took place at Washington yesterday. The services were conducted by Rev. M. CHEW, of St. Alban's Church. Mrs. GRANT and Colonel DENT represented the President's family, and Secretaries FISH, COX and ROBESON were also present. The body was interred at Oak Hill Cemetery, Georgetown, in the midst of a severe snow storm.

The trouble between the male and female medical students in Philadelphia appears to be ended, as yesterday 149 of the former and thirty-nine of the latter attended the clinical lecture at the hospital, and no disturbance occurred.

Colonel ALEXANDER, formerly a Quartermaster under General BUTLER, who was recently arrested at New-Orleans as a bogus Treasury Agent, has escaped and left the city.

Rev. ISAAC B. SMITH, on trial at Geneva, Ill., for the murder of his wife by drowing her, has been acquitted.

The journeymen tailors of Chicago inaugurated a formal strike yesterday, in accordance with resolutions passed at a meeting on Friday night.

LOCAL.

The New-York Genealogical and Biographical Society held a meeting last evening, and an interesting paper was read by CHAS. B. MOORE, Esq., on Dutch and English intermarriages.

The Women's Council met yesterday and discussed the question of forming similar organizations in all the cities and towns in the country.

Rev. Mr. MILBURN, the blind clergyman, delivered his lecture on the "Midnight Mission," at Steinway Hall, last evening.

The first stone of the new Post Office building was laid yesterday afternoon in the southwest corner of the area, under the direction of the Superintendent, builder, masons and employes.

An examination was commenced before a United States Commissioner, yesterday, in the case of ROBERT MULLIGAN and JAMES CALDWELL, charged with being implicated in the drawback conspiracy, by means of which the Government was defrauded out of several hundred thousand dollars. District-Attorney PIERREPONT conducted the prosecution. Testimony and documentary evidence were produced for the purpose of showing MULLIGAN's complicity in the frauds. After the adjournment of the case FRANCIS A. HOWARD, formerly a clerk in the Revenue Department at Washington, was brought before the Commissioner in charge of a Deputy Marshal, and was held in $10,000 bail to appear for examination on a charge of being concerned in the frauds.

Several small cases were tried before Justices KELLY and DOWLING, in the Court of General Sessions, yesterday, the prisoners, in some instances, being convicted and sentenced to the Penitentiary. A man named EDWARD [illegible] was sentenced to pay a fine of $50 and two months' imprisonment for having unmercifully beaten and cut his wife. A woman named [illegible] was convicted of having stolen a quantity of furniture from the apartments of a lady residing on Third-avenue, because she was behind in her payment to his employer.

It is reported that Mr. A. T. STEWART has purchased the block of ground in First-street, from North Twelfth to North Thirteenth streets, E. D., but for what purpose is not stated.

Hon. HENDERSON GAYLORD, Treasurer of the Avondale Fund, has acknowledged receipt of $7,322 12, the sum received by Mayor KALBFLEISCH for that fund.

WILLIAM E. OLMSTEAD, Cashier of the Stonington Steamboat Company, at Pier No. 38 North River, was arraigned before Justice DOWLING yesterday, on the complaint of DAVID S. BABCOCK, President of the Company, who accused him of having committed a series of petty forgeries by uttering labor order vouchers. He was held for trial at the Special Sessions on his own confession.

A hostler named JOSEPH BURKE, who has been employed in the family of Mr. PETER VAN WAGONER, in Manchester, N. J., ran off on Friday with his master's horse and carriage, $600 in money, and one of the servant girls. The fugitives are believed to be in New-York.

A new railroad has been recently planned, and the first ground broken, to run from the New-Jersey Railroad at some point in Newark, via Woodside, Bloomfield, Montclair, Verona and Morristown, to the Delaware River.

The Annexation of San Domingo.

The true story of that San Domingo affair, which has been suddenly revived and which has occupied public attention to some extent during the past few days, is substantially the one, we are led to believe, already recounted in these columns by our Washington correspondent.

The famous efforts of Mr. BANKS, last Winter, to secure a "protectorate" for San Domingo, were connected indirectly with regular diplomatic correspondence then on file at the State Department. What made them appear so preposterous at that time was their seeming lack of basis. Had that been known then which is pretty surely known now, public opinion would have regarded the San Domingo problem in an entirely different light. But the ways of diplomacy are past finding out; and it was therefore thought to be *en règle* to put to Congress and the country a kind of hypothetical case, which only irritated people in general. If San Domingo had applied for a protectorate or for annexation—why not take that for the promise in argument? Why not say so at once? Instead of that, dark hints were thrown out, and the subject was accordingly quietly pooh-poohed out of public attention.

Now, as a fact, there were propositions for annexation. BAEZ was anxious to make some arrangement of that sort; and if, instead of trying to "operate" on the public mind by mysterious stories of GABB and his gold fields, the subject had been squarely and plumply put on its merits, we should have been able to consider it intelligently. The story of the *Albany's* making an armed raid on San Domingo is a newspaper fabrication. That vessel has long been under orders to join the West India Squadron. Her only connection with the present affair at all is that she carried several prominent officers, who proceeded from Washington (notably Generals BABCOCK and INGALLS) under instructions to pursue at the Island of San Domingo certain negotiations already in train.

For it is now disclosed as a fact that BAEZ formally proposed, last Winter, to annex San Domingo to the United States. Since that time, Mr. SEWARD, who was interested in the subject, has gone out of office; Mr. JOHNSON, who was not interested in the subject, has also gone out of office; BAEZ has had trouble with CABRAL and the insurgents, who have threatened to depose him; and now, again, all is quiet at Janama.

General BABCOCK has already made one voyage to San Domingo with reference to the question of the propositions of BAEZ; he now undertakes a second. And the object of both was to enable the President to lay before Congress a simple, straightforward account of the whole matter. The old notion of diplomatic secrecy on subjects of national importance is pretty well exploded. It is only by national desire that we should ever annex territory; and it is not Ministers but people in general who must discuss the question *pro* and *con*. Our St. Thomas experience has taught a lesson; and at the proper moment we shall have the full San Domingo and Hayti proposition laid before the country.

The Effects of Personal Influence upon Governments.

"With Mr. PEABODY's country we are not likely to quarrel." These were Mr. GLADSTONE's words at the Lord Mayor's banquet on Tuesday last. That they were not intended as empty compliments is proved by the honors which were paid to Mr. PEABODY's memory on Friday. The Queen was represented at the grave of our countryman, and the Prime Minister and Foreign Secretary were present as mourners. The streets were lined with silent crowds of spectators. Greater respect could not have been paid to any man, and we have no doubt that it was accorded all the more heartily because Mr. PEABODY had been regarded, so far as the generosity of his nature and the kindliness of his heart were concerned, as a representative American.

It is impossible to overestimate the influence which one man may acquire over the affairs of nations. We have no doubt that in the event of a serious misunderstanding between America and England, the mediation of Mr. BRIGHT would have more weight than that of any other living man, because we knew that in the time of our trouble his voice was ever heard on our side. In like manner we have been influenced for a couple of generations by the services once rendered to us by a Frenchman. We have clung with genuine attachment to our friendship with France, chiefly because LAFAYETTE endeared himself to us. We honored his country for his sake. Even when it was clear that the ruler of France was not friendly to us—when he was inciting England to recognize the independence of the South—we still refused to be the enemies of the French people. It was the force of old tradition which saved us from feeling that exasperation which many of the acts of NAPOLEON III. were undoubtedly calculated to provoke.

LAFAYETTE has done more for France in securing for her the friendship of this country than all the Governments which have ruled over the French people since our own war of independence. Mr. PEABODY's name is likely to exercise a similar charm in England. The poor who find a comfortable home in the buildings he has been the means of erecting will not be likely to accept distorted views of "Mr. PEABODY's country." They will know that an American has done more for them than any of their own countrymen attempted. For good or evil, the man's influence may modify opinion long after he has passed from the earth. Mr. LAIRD and Mr. ROEBUCK between them, together with one or two journalists who could be named, created more bitterness between the United States and England during our late war than ages of diplomatic civilities could destroy. They will have to be called to account for their responsibility some day, although they may persuade themselves that everybody forgets all about it now. It is not the least service which Mr. PEABODY rendered to the British people that he caused them to read and think intelligently about America, to form a truer appreciation of the American character, and to receive with suspicion the ignorant misrepresentations of hot-brained politicians and foolish journalists.

The Future of Labor.

Organization for the promotion of class interests is rapidly spreading among the various ranks of artisans. Like other divisions of society, they have discovered the strength which results from combination, and the wisdom of that policy which makes the welfare of the individual identical with the welfare of the mass. As society itself is but one organic whole, there seems, however, to be a growing danger of sectional reforms being prosecuted to the neglect of more comprehensive measures, which equally elevate, and ought, therefore, equally to interest all. The truly regenerating forces of society are those which tend to break down the barriers which mark the divisions of rank, and more closely to assimilate all classes with the ideal of that perfect organism whose gradual increase is shared by all its parts. The first requisite of cordial coöperation is a conviction of identity of interests; the second, a belief that the existing relations of one class to another are as they ought to be. The declared aims and purposes of labor organizations, cast a doubt on both these facts. Their constitution presupposes, with greater or less distinctness, that the interests of employers or capitalists are opposed to theirs, and their pervading tendency is to rectify the unequal distribution of profits, which, it is maintained, at present exists. Without attempting to determine the relative justice of these positions, it must be remarked that their existence cannot be too steadily kept in view by all who endeavor to cement the bonds of human fellowship, or aim at effecting any comprehensive scheme of social elevation.

Antagonism of classes has hitherto been found inseparable from human progress, and it is highly probable that it will be a very long period before it is eliminated. Kept within proper limits, it is by no means so much opposed to general advancement, as might at first appear. We are familiar enough with the political vitality which results from party strife, and contending social influences serve a similar purpose of causing motion between them. Their consequences are to be dreaded, however, when nothing less than the extinction of the one will satisfy the other. Nothing can be more obvious than that labor is indebted to capital for one-half of its power. Left to its own resources it can neither be properly diffused, nor profitably directed. Its results are wasted in a place where they are not required, while in another locality they would find their natural value. A large portion of the grain of the Mississippi valley would be as useless as the carcasses of Australian sheep, were means of transport equally wanting to convey it to the proper market. A truth so obvious is only needed to show the suicidal tendency of all movements which would exalt any one interest of society by the extinction of another.

The growing intelligence of workingmen, and the rectifying influence of practice over theory, will doubtless prevent the diffusion of such errors as we have alluded to. Meanwhile the extension of facilities for international communication, and the gradual weakening of international jealousies, may reasonably be expected to counteract the deadliest evil which labor has to undergo—its aggregation in excessive masses. It has been remarked, that as the struggle for existence becomes less intense, the society thus relieved assumes a higher level which it does not readily lose. In our Eastern centres of population we are already beginning to experience some of the industrial phenomena which have already been felt by older communities. The recoil from such a pressure, which may naturally be expected, will leave society free to attain a further stage of development which will serve to prevent the recurrence of such an evil. And so by successive stages, the gradual elevation of the status and dignity of labor will be found to be accomplished.

The Slaughter of the Innocents.

By the discovery of the calcined bodies of three infants in the chimney of a house in a respectable quarter of the City, a nest of murder has been disturbed. The matter will give rise, of course, to a very searching inquiry; but while a full investigation must be made, we regret that the name of a former occupant of the house has been dragged into the case at this early stage. No good purpose can be served by hasty accusations, that may involve the grossest injustice. In an affair of this kind there should be patient and exhaustive inquiry, leading to just and irrefutable conclusions, before any attempt is made to point out the guilty. Any suggestions founded upon a partial examination of the case are, besides, not only unjust, but inopportune, as tending to prevent that vigorous probing of the mystery demanded by the public interest.

A horror of the kind just thrust upon the community was needed to arouse attention to a matter of great moment. Almost every day paragraphs have appeared in the newspapers announcing the abandonment of infants, or the finding of their dead bodies, but none of the cases stood out in bold relief from current sin and sorrow. In the Twenty-eighth-street case, however, the murder is wholesale and dramatic, having all the sensational elements necessary to awaken public attention. Horrible as it is, it may become a blessing if rightly used and made to serve the cause of public morals, by inducing such candid and thorough consideration of infanticide murder and abandonment as may lead to effective remedial measures.

We doubt if the law can be made any more protective than it is, but we are sure it would be more serviceable if more rigorously administered. If the statutory provisions against crime of this character were strictly enforced, and if in the few cases where infanticide is clearly proven the punishment were swift and exemplary, something would be done to eradicate this evil. But what is more needed, and will be most powerful as a remedy, is the creation of a healthy public sentiment on the subject. Experience has shown that correctional law cannot be more than a minor agency in the extirpation of social crimes. There is virtue enough left in town and country to wage a winning conflict with these detestable crimes but, it must be roused from its indolent passivity to be effectual.

Almost Calamities.

Within a few weeks, in at least four instances, great disasters have been happily averted by the presence of mind of a few individuals. In a Western city a closely-packed audience was enjoying an opera. During a solo a gentleman stepped upon the stage, and by a word to the vocalist and the leader of the orchestra, stopped the performances. Then addressing the audience in quiet and deliberate tones, he mentioned that a fire had broken out in an adjoining building, and recommended that, although there was no immediate cause for alarm, it was desirable that the assemblage should disperse. His words and manner had the desired effect, and the premises were vacated without confusion.

An actual panic, on Sunday before last, in a church in Troy, N. Y., occasioned by the flooring of the building having taken fire from a defective flue, was arrested by a novel expedient. Out from among the screams of women and children, the rush and struggle of strong men, and all the confusion of a supreme moment, a calm voice arose above the din, singing a familiar hymn. Instinctive imitation supplanted senseless fear; the congregation joined their voices in the well-known tune, and all the disorder subsided. Might not a practice be advantageously introduced in our public assemblies of dismissing during a march played by musicians? If such were the custom, even though an assemblage were broken up by some unusual occasion, it is not at all improbable that music would materially assist to quell disorder in retiring.

In Easton, Penn., about a week since, there was an alarm of fire in a public school. It had been the custom to allow one of the youngest girls, a cripple, to precede the other pupils on every occasion of dismissal. The present instance found no exception; notwithstanding intense excitement and apparent danger, those children voluntarily kept their seats until she was safely removed. But scarcely an instant elapsed after she had been placed out of harm's way before the rest of the children were out of the building. Doubtless in this case there was a prudent system on the part of the teachers which deserves credit; yet such an incident could only occur among children. Pure disinterestedness never appears in a grown-up crowd. There are always in a multitude some mean men who value their individual lives in inverse proportion to their actual worth; whose selfishness becomes prominent in occasions of danger.

On a Sunday a fortnight since, in Louisville, a church had a first-class explosion. The ecclesiastical furnace undertook a burst after the fashion of things secular. The sacred edifice shook as with an earthquake. Vast volumes of smoke issued from the nether regions, diffusing a stifling odor unlike that of sanctity. Had the preacher descanted on the terrors of the world below, he might have peopled a lunatic asylum. Had he hesitated or added to the alarm, a panic with all its horrible results must have accrued. Fortunately, calm words came from the occupant of the pulpit; reliable members added soothing testimony, and the congregation withdrew in something like decent order.

If there happens to be one sensible man in a crowd where the danger of panic is imminent he may by prompt and fearless assurances allay excitement and save human lives. Not every one can invent on the spur of the moment a device of safety such as was credited to a distinguished New-England politician before the war. It is said that during a large political meeting held in a public edifice a man pushed through the crowd and told him that the supports of the building were giving way under the unusual pressure. The politician first spoke in a whisper to the presiding officer, and then advancing to the front of the platform he announced to the audience that it was proposed to hold the rest of the meeting out of doors, where all could be accommodated; he suggested that those nearest the doors should start first, which they did, and the rest followed.

Enlisting Married Men.

One would have supposed that the questions relating to the proper enlistment of men into the United States Army had been all disposed of in the various *habeas corpus* cases which have come before our Courts within the last few years. But the case of FERRENS, which we published on Thursday, presents some new ones, and which are of great importance. The first is as to the necessity of having the enlistment oath taken before a civil Magistrate where the services of such an officer can be procured. Judge BLATCHFORD holds that no such requirement is made by the law, but that the oath may be taken before "any commissioned officer of the army."

The other and more important question is whether a man who has a wife or child can be enlisted. It is especially provided in the regulations for the recruiting service, prescribed by the Secretary of War, that no such man shall be enlisted in time of peace. But the Judge holds that the act of 1814, which authorizes the enlistment of "any free, effective, able-bodied man, between the ages of eighteen and fifty years," without making any exception of men with wives or children, has never been repealed, and that the regulation of the Secretary of War does not override it, or make the enlistment of men with wives and children unlawful.

There was not in this case any willful failure to comply with the regulations on the part of the recruiting officers, for FERRENS, when enlisted, made affidavit that he had neither wife nor child, and it was not till the *habeas corpus* was issued by his wife that the fact of his being a married man appeared.

MATTHEW ARNOLD lays down as a fundamental principle in the management of schools that three things should be inculcated—a love of simplicity and equality, a high sense of honor, and a feeling of humanity. We have the first of those in our public school system; the second is, it is hoped, not neglected, but there is room for improvement in respect to the third. Whether regarded as one of the major or minor sins, cruelty to animals is too often chargeable upon the young. So long as they remain young the plea of thoughtlessness may answer for partial excuse, but the danger is that a bad habit neglected grows into a vice by which the future character is deteriorated. Why, then, should not humanity to animals be part of the training of our public schools?

Our correspondent, "Carl Benson," points out a very singular mistake into which a writer in the *Galaxy* has fallen. In an article on "English Universities," it is said that no "man from the poorer classes had anything to do with either of the two great Universities supposed to be national." The writer forgot all about the sizars, and was not aware that many a poor man owes fame and eminence to a University training. "St. John's" at Cambridge, and "Jesus" at Oxford, are famous for their liberality to the poorest class of students. Dr. SAMUEL JOHNSON was a sizar at Pembroke, and before and since his time the same opportunities of acquiring learning have been given to poor and rich alike—the former, as a general rule, profiting most largely by them. "Carl Benson" explains how a poor boy may live at Oxford and Cambridge, and his interesting letter contains a good deal of information which may be thoroughly trusted, and will perhaps be new to many readers, if not quite so to the writer in the *Galaxy*.

Although it has been for many years the custom to speak of Turkey as the sick man of Europe, it is very questionable whether his health is not undergoing a change for the better. At least new social developments are apparent. While the resources, methods of communication, and naval power of the Empire seem to be increasing, the Turkish ladies have taken some lessons in the science of dress, and have profited thereby. During the late *fêtes* in honor of EUGENIE, the Empress of Fashion, these ladies appeared among the company as freely as their foreign visitors. And, though they did not dispense with the folds of muslin which covered the backs of their heads, that apology for a veil was transparent enough to disclose chignons, and little pork-pie hats, and curls, and flowers. What may not be expected from a revolution thus inaugurated? We may some day have to announce even the establishment of a Sorosis among these daughters of Islam, and, indeed, it would be not a bad thing if that institution were realized among them.

The Emperor NAPOLEON's cautious firmness averted the possible dangers of Oct. 31, but there are still difficulties which will arise upon the assembling of the Corps Legislatif. Not the least of those is that involved in the system of Government candidates at the elections. The Senatus Consultum affirmed the justice of representative Government, but the influence brought to bear in favor of NAPOLEON's friends and nominees in many districts is in direct contravention of the principle. The Ministers, whoever they may be when the Chambers open, will be questioned upon this matter without doubt. That they must answer is equally certain. Whatever that answer shall be, there will be a dilemma. If they repudiate the principle which governed the late elections, they virtually repudiate the results. And if, on the other hand, they fail to do this, they stultify the Emperor's own promises of a parliamentary system for France. The situation is embarrassing, whichever way it is looked at.

The late dreadful accident in Liberty-street ought not to be forgotten without some further action than a mere Coroner's verdict. The person who, because he was in haste, set fire to some cotton waste rather than wait for a candle, will have his punishment so long as he retains his memory; and the policeman who was censured will probably receive his due reward. But why can it be possible that a scuttle shall be kept nailed fast, so that the chief service for which it is designed is entirely frustrated? True, the janitor himself, it is said, did this foolish act, being annoyed by boys from next door, who spied upon his family, but there must have been a want of supervision somewhere. Probably there are hundreds of scuttles in the same condition as that in Liberty-street. Burning whole families to death seems an awkward, one might even say cruel, way of pointing them out.

The order by the Cuban insurrectionary General CAVADA, which we have already printed, is a sorry comment upon the liberty and patriotism for which his party claim to be striving. After giving a list of estates to be burned forthwith, he intimates that those of other loyal Cubans are to be attended to when their destruction becomes a necessity. But what sort of sympathy can the world at large have for a struggle so conducted? Besides, the very fact of incendiarism being resorted to in this wholesale manner, seems to indicate that the "loyal Cubans" are more numerous than the revolutionists would have us believe.

Railway reformers in England are much exercised at present with the problem of economizing the huge waste of motive power which is entailed by the heavy construction of their carriages. It appears that in a goods train only 30 per cent. of the weight drawn is goods, the remaining 70 per cent. figuring as dead weight. In passenger traffic the engine has to draw, on an average, for every passenger, a weight varying from two tons to two and a quarter tons; i. e., only 5 per cent. of the load pays, the remaining 95 per cent. being the wood and iron work of the carriage on which the fare sits. By way of comparison, it is stated that in an omnibus the paying and the non-paying load are almost equal. A certain Mr. FAIRLIE maintains that the blows from the oscillations of an engine going at the rate of thirty miles per hour inflict 60 per cent. of the weight on the wheels. He meets the evil so it is developed here by proposing the substitution of low four-wheel trucks, instead of the present rigid wheel basis of the carriages. These better adaptable, like the cross wheels of an ordinary coach, would adapt themselves readily to curves and gradients, and would enable the carriages they support to be more economically constructed. As it is estimated that a saving of one penny per mile on the working expenses of the railways of the United Kingdom would yield $6,000,000 in gold in the pockets of the shareholders, these hardly-treated investors must grow almost delirious in contemplating the promises held out that at least eighteen times that amount would be saved by the many advantages contingent on the adoption of Mr. FAIRLIE's scheme.

Another candidate in the labor interest is being put up for a seat in the British Parliament, this time with some prospect of success. The Society of Amalgamated Engineers, holding the highest place in the ranks of Trades' Unions, have put forward their Secretary, a Mr. ALLEN, to represent the borough of Southwark, just vacated by the appointment of Mr. LAYARD as Ambassador to the Court of Spain. The elected of the workmen is acknowledged to be a man of very considerable ability, and the want of some accredited and capable exponent of the claims of labor has been long felt as a *desideratum* in the British Legislature. His supporters are putting him forward as a class representative, irrespective of party. They may probably find, as the Labor Unions in this country have done, that this will prove the weak point of their programme, involving as it does a representation of *interests* instead of *principles*, and thereby precluding the men sent under such auspices from wielding any great influence in the State.

The London *Spectator* can find no grounds for indorsing the common expectation that the present anarchy and conflict of Spanish politics will sooner or later give place to order and tranquillity. It sees no reason, in the existing condition of things, why Spain should not sink to the same level as Mexico. It finds many points of analogy between the two countries, notably in the character of the two parties that are pitted against each other, in the distribution of so much of the land among a few proprietors, and in the prevailing and purposeless discontent of the mass of the people. The predominance of the army alone keeps up the semblance of Government, and the army is rapidly splitting into sections. There is no man whom the whole nation respects, and no idea which it universally accepts. Even the extreme revolutionary party are destitute of a programme worthy of the occasion. The *Spectator* thinks that some light might be discovered in the future were a mad party to propose to repudiate the debt, to confiscate the land, to make Spain a free port, and attempt to govern, as in Asia, with a land tax for sole revenue. Foreign intervention would be dangerous, and conquest, from the nature of the country, next to impossible, so that the inquiry recurs—Mexico has retrograded, why should Spain advance?

The Prohibition Question.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

"Carl Benson" is so well known and so able a writer that his opinions carry weight. His brief reference to prohibitionists, if the writer remembers his position correctly, in yesterday morning's TIMES, lacks his customary force. "Monadnock," in a letter to the TIMES dated Sept. 4, 1869, thus reports a Mr. POTTER, the editor of the *Beehive*, London, in a speech upon "The Disorganization of Labor," made before the Trades' Union Congress," Birmingham:

"Our object to-day is not so much to show in detail the admitted enormity and danger of a certain evil—drunkenness—which we must meet and master, as to show that it is of such a character that we must denounce martial law against it. We must sit as a vigilance committee against a common enemy—we must stamp it out and get it under. There must be an organization against the beer house and the gin palace, for they destroy all we want to save and save all we want destroyed. They are the causes of pauperism, insanity, bad trade, low wages, destruction of raw material and of capital, of health, intellect, character. We shall not dwell on figures, nor pother over blue-books; the evils of excessive drink are infinite. If the army of labor is to conquer, drunk must be subject to martial law—must, we say, be watched by vigilance committees of those whom it seeks to destroy. Ponder this one tremendous fact—the leading fact of all that you will hear during this conference, the leading fact in the economy and existence of Great Britain—every year upward of £225,000,000 are spent by the British nation on intoxicating drink—spent, we say; how much of it is wasted? How little there is of it that is not wasted! And this in the land of established churches. This calculation is patent to the world. Any man can verify the figures. In consists of money spent in drink, of waste of land, capital and labor, in producing drink—loss of labor and time by destruction and theft—by pauperism, destitution, sickness, insanity, premature death, Police, prosecutions, Courts of justice, support of criminals, &c. This expenditure would pay off the national debt in less than five years, and lessen taxation for ever."

Nothing further need be said to show that prohibitory legislation is indispensably necessary in England. The lessons of our own country run in the same direction. Among thinking men the question is not so much whether prohibitory legislation is required to suppress the sale of liquor as a beverage, as whether distinctive political organizations are requisite to secure the result. There is here, perhaps, fair ground for difference of opinion. Shall we form a distinct Temperance party, or make use of the machinery of existing parties? The latter just now seems to the writer most expedient. H.

The Unequaled Passage of the Perotire—Reply to "H."

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

In your edition of this morning there appeared a communication signed "H," and while the article is but a weak attempt to detract from the credit so justly earned by Captain DUCHESNE and his gallant steamer, it will be well to lay before your readers a true statement of the case. The steamer *Batavia*, "H." says, passed Sandy Hook July 7 at 3 P.M. and reached Queenstown, it is said, on the 16th, at 8:25 P.M.—Time, 8 days, 5 hours and 15 minutes; deducting for difference in time 6 hours, leaves 7 days, 23 hours and 15 minutes.

The *Russia's* average on the whole passage was fourteen knots per hour, and as the distance between Queenstown and Brest is 262 miles, (not 113 miles as "H." erroneously states,) the Russia might have run this distance (taking her average speed for the voyage) in 18 hours, which added to her time to Queenstown, 7 days, 23 hours and 15 minutes, makes 8 days, 19 hours and 15 minutes. The *Perotire's* run was 8 days, 11 hours and 36 minutes, and therefore if there be a "halt" in the case it belongs to the latter steamer.

M. J. B.

Discharge of the Cuba's Officers.

Commodore HIGGINS, late Commander of the *Cuba*, yesterday received the following communication from the President of the Cuban Junta:

NEW-YORK, Nov. 12, 1869.

SIR: The Cuban Junta, considering the detention of the *Cuba* at Wilmington, and the want of any other man-of-war at present, respectfully request that the officers under your command, shall that they are honorably discharged. Confirming the verbal communication made to them at Wilmington by the representative of the Junta, that the Junta will be happy to utilize their services in the future.

I remain, Sir, with the greatest consideration,

MIGUEL DE ALDANA, President.

Commodore HIGGINS has informed all the officers connected with him in the recent expedition of the contents of the Junta's communication.

Personal.

General A. TATE, and his secretary, M. F. MARCELIN, arrived in the steamer *City of Port-au-Prince* from Port-au-Prince yesterday. General TATE comes here from the Havtian Minister as Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to Washington, and takes the place of M. EVARISTE LAROCHE, former Minister and Charge d'Affaires of Hayti, resigned.

Home News.

Mr. GEORGE L. FOX, with the KIRALFYS, were last week in Worcester, Mass., and in Providence, R. I. This week they are to appear in New-Haven and in Trenton. Mr. COLVILLE is their conductor.....CARLOTTA PATTI sings in Troy next Saturday evening.....Mr. THOMAS' orchestra will be heard in Syracuse on Wednesday.....A new and elegant theatre is about to be erected in Buffalo. Mr. JACKSON, of this City, will be the architect.....Mrs. SCOTT-SIDDONS commences an engagement in Buffalo to-morrow evening.....Mr. BOOTH acts in Hartford, Conn., on Wednesday and Thursday of this week, in New-Haven on Monday and Tuesday, and in Worcester, Mass., on Friday.....EDWIN FORREST commences a two weeks' engagement at the Walnut-street Theatre, in Philadelphia, on Monday.....HERMANN, the prestidigitateur, was last week in Philadelphia.....In St. Louis, on Nov. 11, Mlle. SAGNENO, wife of HERCULES LIBBY, while performing a dancing trapeze act at the Varieties Theatre, fell in front of the parquet. She put out her hands to break the force of her fall, breaking one wrist and dislocating the other, and receiving also, several internal injuries. She was carried to the Everett House, and is now in a dangerous condition.....The Pittsburgh-Boston troupe have just brought out their English version of "I Promessi di Figaro" in Chicago.....Mr. HAYMAN has caused an injunction to be served against Manager AIKEN, of Chicago, restraining Mr. AIKEN from performing "Mary Warner" at his theatre.....Miss JULIA [illegible] last week sailing in Nashville, [illegible] Mr. [illegible] was about to appear in [illegible] New-Orleans [illegible] case of the season of [illegible] MAGO's engagement in New-Orleans had ended.....The GALTONS were all last week at the New-Orleans Academy of Music, as [illegible] the DE LAVE family of gymnasts.....Miss CHARLOTTE THOMPSON has engaged at the Chicago Theatre in BROUGHAM'S "Lily of France."

News from Abroad.

THEATRES IN FRANCE.

A recent issue of the *Pall Mall Gazette* contains an excellent reference to theatres in France. "Every class in Paris," it says, has its theatre. The Francais is for classical dramas. The Gymnase and the Vaudeville specialize, imported [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] Mr. Boucicault, the *Saturday Review* descants of Mr. Boucicault. "We have little doubt," it says, "that Mr. Boucicault does far greater injury to his audience by giving them a liking for utterly extravagant and characterless representations than by his glorification of a harlot. He may still be puzzled by the storm of reproach that has so suddenly burst upon him; to some extent, indeed, we can sympathize with him in his indignant remonstrances. For some years past he has been steadily corrupting whatever little theatrical taste was left; he does but add a little French sauce to the somewhat highly seasoned fare which he had previously provided for his audience, when a section of the public at odd times squeamish and falls on its host. We know of few harder lots than this, and we are not surprised that Mr. Boucicault has been a little wanting in patience. Hitherto each of his successive violations of the laws of good sense and dramatic taste has been greeted with larger audiences and with redoubled applause; but now that he proceeds to put the last touch to his imperfect work, and, having like Nature tried his 'prentice hand on man, goes on to make that chaste lass *Formosa*, the audience, if still as large, is yet divided, and the applause comes mingled with not a few upbraidings. It is too bad for those who shed tears over his 'Colleen Bawn' to bowl down his 'Formosa.' A successful harlot is, no doubt, a shocking sight to an ordinary Briton; but we would ourselves, for our part, as soon see twenty successful harlots on the stage as the maudlin sentiment, the monstrous sensational scenes, the leaps down precipices, the 'headers' into lakes, the railway engines, and the Hansom cabs that disgrace our modern theatre. We are told that no virtuous woman could see "Formosa" without blushing. We wonder how any man can see 'Formosa' or many another piece of the modern drama, without blushing for very shame, not merely that he is present to listen to such balderdash, but that such balderdash should have been compiled by a fellow-man, and could attract an audience of his fellow-men. Let us be as severe as we like about the open violation of decency, but let us remember that the open violation of all common sense and good taste is almost as much the sure mark of a fool. We have no wish to see the vile plays of the Restoration brought back to our stage. We only remember, however, that indecent as they were, it was not on their indecency alone that they relied; they had, at all events, wit to recommend them. Aristophanes would be howled down on a London stage, and perhaps with some reason; we much question, however, whether, taking into account man's whole character, an audience is not almost as deeply corrupted by our sense-less plays as by the witty indecencies of the Attic stage. Sydney Smith, in his lectures on wit and humor, says of some epigram that it would have been witty had it not been too sublime; might we not almost say of some plays that they would have been indecent had they not been too witty? But, as an indecent allusion is, at all events it is something that it should have some Attic salt to keep it as pure as may be. A mind is not really corrupt, which, while it can enjoy wit, though it happens to be on an indecent subject, yet relishes the indecency when its only claim for admiration is that it is indecent. It would seem that our play writers, who have long ago lost even the conception of wit or humor, and who rely solely on the most extravagant and unnatural scenes, are coming back to the improprieties of the olden drama, though by a somewhat different path. We are once more to have our harlot; but our harlot, if she can scarcely be decent, at all events shall be dull. The audience shall not have their attention distracted, nor shall they, as of old, be embarrassed in their full enjoyment of an indelicacy by the wit with which it should unfortunately happen to be joined. On the principle laid down by Horace, that the mind is often tickled by what passes through the ear than by what is placed before the eyes, the indecency, instead of, as before, being spoken by the tongue, shall rather be performed in a kind of dumb-show by the body. When we arrive at this point we shall almost have made the whole round; we shall have gone from wit with indecency to wit without indecency, from wit without indecency to respectable dullness, and from respectable dullness to indecency without wit. We shall have shown once more that though wit is not unhappily always allied with purity, folly, on the other hand, generally leads to impurity.

JAPANESE THEATRICALS.

A letter to the *Boston Traveller*, dated from Nangasaki, gives a readable sketch of the condition of theatres in Japan. When the father of a family undertakes to indulge in the diversion of the theatre, says the writer, it is quite a serious business, for the performances never cease from morning until night. Three or four days are usually required for the completion of a play. The theatres are written upon by authorized officers, who have strictly to see that they keep to the original text. Thus, the Japanese think that a play that pays best are the licentious ones, like the *Pipes and Cymbals*, devote a good deal of their space to theatrical news. The smaller pieces also, which cost a sou, and have a daily circulation of two or three hundred thousand, are good ones to give long and careful notice of all the new pieces that are produced. In the piece is unusually good, print the whole front page in large type, extending over four or five columns. But yet the greater part of the French feuilleton play-going is shown in the establishment of the provincial theatres. In the small towns, where one would scarcely have thought that a strolling circus could pay its expenses, it is surprised to find well-appointed theatres giving their two performances a week and filling their stalls to gallery with attentive but by no means indulgent audiences. It would be a mistake to suppose that bad acting will pass muster in a provincial than a Parisian audience; very often it is quite the reverse, and if a stranger would convince himself of this he has only to attend at the first performance of a French country town theatre on the night of the close at the reopening of the Autumn session. Provincial managers almost always change an actor subject to the condition that he shall be accepted by the public at his *début*. The *début* is thus a regular examination, and usually a very stiff one. On the first three nights of the theatrical season, which generally opens in October, the country town manager presents his new troupe to the audience, and at the end of the performance comes before the curtain to call out the names of the different actors and actresses one by one. After each name there is a pause, and the audience applaud or hiss as they think fit. If they applaud it is all right, and the engagement is ratified; but if they hiss there is an end of it, and the actor is sent about his business. Sometimes they hiss so furiously that, on thinking of the unhappy comedian who is waiting his verdict trembling and wretched behind the curtain, one marvels that they can be so heartless. But then it must be remembered that the theatre is the one sole amusement of a country town, and that if the troupe be a bad one the whole year's enjoyment of the unlucky provincials is marred. Not many years ago a young man was tried as first tenor at the Bordeaux Theatre, but he failed to satisfy the audience, and at the fall of the curtain there was a terrible uproar. In the midst of it the unfortunate man came forward, very pale, and, after confronting the storm of hisses, said impressively, 'Ladies and gentlemen, I see the point of first tenor is above my strength, but will you give me a few weeks' trial as second tenor?' "I promise I will do my best.' * * * Here he broke down from emotion, and the French, always generous, gave him three rounds of applause to signify their assent. The young man has since become one of the principal singers of the Grand Opera. The French public are so old and so used to piece in the matter of stars and actors, that to be a French manager almost invariably leads to becoming a bankrupt. Few managers prosper so as to be able to retire comfortably; for when in France a piece does not succeed thoroughly it falls flat, and all the money lavished upon it is as good as thrown out of the window. There is no keeping a bad piece long on a play-bill, as may often be done in London, thanks to the forbearance of the English papers, which, when once they have condemned a play, trouble themselves no further about it. French journalists are not content to condemn a piece and have done with it; they go on abusing it every day until the whole Empire knows that the piece is worthless, and the manager is obliged to withdraw it. There is another great stumbling block to French managerial enterprise in the *droit des pauvres*, which is a rate of 10 per cent. on the gross receipts of all theatres. It was Napoleon I. who first imposed this tax to be levied for the benefit of the hospitals, and it has continued to be exacted ever since, notwithstanding that it has done more to fill the Tribunal de Commerce with bankrupts than ever bad plays and hostile critics. It would be odious, however, that in the case of certain theatres the expenses of the *droit des pauvres* are more than compensated by the subsidies which the State awards. Thus the Grand Opera receives about £30,000 per annum; the Français, £19,000; the Opera Comique, £8,000; and the Odeon, £4,000."

MR. BOUCICAULT.

The *Saturday Review* descants of Mr. Boucicault. "We have little doubt," it says, "that Mr. Boucicault does far greater injury to his audience by giving them a liking for utterly extravagant and characterless representations than by his glorification of a harlot. He may still be puzzled by the storm of reproach that has so suddenly burst upon him; to some extent, indeed, we can sympathize with him in his indignant remonstrances. For some years past he has been steadily corrupting whatever little theatrical taste was left; he does but add a little French sauce to the somewhat highly seasoned fare which he had previously provided for his audience, when a section of the public at odd times squeamish and falls on its host. We know of few harder lots than this, and we are not surprised that Mr. Boucicault has been a little wanting in patience. Hitherto each of his successive violations of the laws of good sense and dramatic taste has been greeted with larger audiences and with redoubled applause; but now that he proceeds to put the last touch to his imperfect work, and, having like Nature tried his 'prentice hand on man, goes on to make that chaste lass *Formosa*, the audience, if still as large, is yet divided, and the applause comes mingled with not a few upbraidings. It is too bad for those who shed tears over his 'Colleen Bawn' to bowl down his 'Formosa.' A successful harlot is, no doubt, a shocking sight to an ordinary Briton; but we would ourselves, for our part, as soon see twenty successful harlots on the stage as the maudlin sentiment, the monstrous sensational scenes, the leaps down precipices, the 'headers' into lakes, the railway engines, and the Hansom cabs that disgrace our modern theatre. We are told that no virtuous woman could see "Formosa" without blushing. We wonder how any man can see 'Formosa' or many another piece of the modern drama, without blushing for very shame, not merely that he is present to listen to such balderdash, but that such balderdash should have been compiled by a fellow-man, and could attract an audience of his fellow-men. Let us be as severe as we like about the open violation of decency, but let us remember that the open violation of all common sense and good taste is almost as much the sure mark of a fool. We have no wish to see the vile plays of the Restoration brought back to our stage. We only remember, however, that indecent as they were, it was not on their indecency alone that they relied; they had, at all events, wit to recommend them. Aristophanes would be howled down on a London stage, and perhaps with some reason; we much question, however, whether, taking into account man's whole character, an audience is not almost as deeply corrupted by our senseless plays as by the witty indecencies of the Attic stage. Sydney Smith, in his lectures on wit and humor, says of some epigram that it would have been witty had it not been too sublime; might we not almost say of some plays that they would have been indecent had they not been too witty? But, as an indecent allusion is, at all events it is something that it should have some Attic salt to keep it as pure as may be. A mind is not really corrupt, which, while it can enjoy wit, though it happens to be on an indecent subject, yet relishes the indecency when its only claim for admiration is that it is indecent. It would seem that our play writers, who have long ago lost even the conception of wit or humor, and who rely solely on the most extravagant and unnatural scenes, are coming back to the improprieties of the olden drama, though by a somewhat different path. We are once more to have our harlot; but our harlot, if she can scarcely be decent, at all events shall be dull. The audience shall not have their attention distracted, nor shall they, as of old, be embarrassed in their full enjoyment of an indelicacy by the wit with which it should unfortunately happen to be joined. On the principle laid down by Horace, that the mind is often tickled by what passes through the ear than by what is placed before the eyes, the indecency, instead of, as before, being spoken by the tongue, shall rather be performed in a kind of dumb-show by the body. When we arrive at this point we shall almost have made the whole round; we shall have gone from wit with indecency to wit without indecency, from wit without indecency to respectable dullness, and from respectable dullness to indecency without wit. We shall have shown once more that though wit is not unhappily always allied with purity, folly, on the other hand, generally leads to impurity.

JAPANESE THEATRICALS.

A letter to the *Boston Traveller*, dated from Nangasaki, gives a readable sketch of the condition of theatres in Japan. When the father of a family undertakes to indulge in the diversion of the theatre, says the writer, it is quite a serious business, for the performances never cease from morning until night. Three or four days are usually required for the completion of a play. The theatres are written upon by authorized officers, who have strictly to see that they keep to the original text. Thus, the Japanese think that a play that pays best are the licentious ones, like the *Pipes and Cymbals*, devote a good deal of their space to theatrical news. The smaller pieces also, which cost a sou, and have a daily circulation of two or three hundred thousand good ones to give long and careful notice of all the new pieces that are produced. If the piece is unusually good, print the whole front page in large type, extending over four or five columns. But yet the greater part of the French feuilleton play-going is shown in the establishment of the provincial theatres. In the small towns, where one would scarcely have thought that a strolling circus could pay its expenses, it is surprised to find well-appointed theatres giving their two performances a week and filling their stalls to gallery with attentive but by no means indulgent audiences. It would be a mistake to suppose that bad acting will pass muster in a provincial than a Parisian audience; very often it is quite the reverse, and if a stranger would convince himself of this he has only to attend at the first performance of a French country town theatre on the night of the close at the reopening of the Autumn session. Provincial managers almost always change an actor subject to the condition that he shall be accepted by the public at his *début

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THE DRAWBACK FRAUDS

How They First Originated and Were Perpetrated.

Complicity of Clerks, Brokers, and Revenue Officers.

The Manner in which Spurious Bond Certificates were Obtained—Blatchford's Profits—Report of the Testimony Taken Yesterday—Further Details of the Extensive Schemes.

More interesting particulars were obtained yesterday concerning the great scheme by means of which the National Treasury has been depleted of nearly one million dollars as fraudulent drawback claims. It appears that a fast fellow named HUGO A. SUMNER, now dead, was the first to perpetrate the frauds on the Government through the connivance of dishonest Custom House clerks. He was in the habit of going on a bacchanalian carousal whenever he obtained any considerable sum on fraudulent claims, continuing his spree for several weeks at a time, or as long as his claim money held out. This practice, however, did not please his accomplices in the Custom House, who were desirous of having him devote his whole attention to passing bogus claims, by means of which they were enriched, instead of indulging in frequent debauches. They finally concluded to break their contract with him, after which they sought for other men to fill his place.

A firm, composed of JOHN S. CALDWELL and his two sons, JAMES and R. B. CALDWELL, doing business as Custom House internal revenue brokers, in 1866, succeeded SUMNER in the *rôle* of claimants on the Government for drawback money, and, it is alleged, were secretly assisted by SAMUEL T. BLATCHFORD, then a clerk in the Drawback Department, in their nefarious undertaking. About $250,000 was realized by the CALDWELL family and others engaged with them in their operations, which were carried on during 1866 and a part of 1867. Out of this amount BLATCHFORD is said to have received $25,000, his commission for procuring Custom House certificates being twenty-five per cent. on the net proceeds. When CALDWELL & Co. retired from the drawback business, their successors appeared in the persons of WILLIAM H. WHINSTER, J. T. WELLWOOD and others, who followed in the footsteps of their predecessors. WHINSTER's ally in the Custom House was named CHARLES J. TERRIOTT, who took the place in the Drawback Department made vacant by the appointment of BLATCHFORD to another position. Under WHINSTER and his associates the frauds reached formidable proportions, the total amount of money derived from them being little less than one million dollars. The lion's share of the money was divided among the CALDWELLS, WHINSTER, WILLIAM H. FREER and GEORGE F. RANDALL. The latter has escaped to Cuba with about $60,000 in his possession. FREER, the Washington claim agent, had a power of attorney to collect the drawback drafts, by means of which he secured about $240,000, instead of $60,000 as was first announced, without causing any suspicion among his associates that he intended to run away. After getting all the drafts in his hands he promptly fled, to Europe, first converting them, however, into gold.

Besides the persons named several others, it is alleged, were implicated in the frauds, including George W. Green, Francis A. Howard, Julius A. Mott, J. T. Wellwood, Henry A. Dickinson and Alexander Grant, Jr. The part alleged to have been performed by HOWARD consisted of having the spurious claims passed through the office of the Internal Revenue Commissioner at Washington, in which he was employed as clerk. GREEN is charged with having aided the drawback conspirators to procure a bond certificate, as it is called, from the Export Department at the Custom House. The bond certificate was evidence that a bond had been filed in the Export Department by the drawback claimant, in which it was stipulated that the bond should be forfeited unless he produced a landing certificate from the United States Consul at the port named on the manifest papers. The landing certificate was a guarantee to the Government that the goods which a drawback claimant exported had reached their destination, and that they would not be relanded in this country. Without such a certificate a claimant could not have his claim recognized at the Treasury Department. Sometimes, however, a claimant, being hard pressed for money, would not wait for the landing certificate to reach him, but would give a bond that he would produce it, in which case he was enabled to obtain his drawback money at once. It is claimed that GREEN was in the habit of accepting worthless bonds from the conspirators, furnishing them genuine bond certificates in return.

MOTT was a Government clerk at Washington, and is also represented to have been in collusion with WHINSTER *et al.* He is now employed at a United States mint in California.

WELLWOOD, another of the arrested parties, is now in Canada. It is understood that he was first induced to participate in the frauds by one of the CALDWELLS, to whom he was related. The Government first discovered the frauds through WELLWOOD, who got frightened and then became an informer. A young man named WILLIAM J. KORN also appears in connection with the bogus claims. The knowledge which he possesses will probably be used to convict some of the accused men. KORN was made aware of the fraudulent claim system while acting under CALDWELL & Co. as clerk, and was finally persuaded to enter into it himself, but closed his connection with it after a very brief experience. In connection with the frauds, it is reported that a number of notaries public will be proceeded against by the Government for knowingly having witnessed the affidavits used by the defendants without any parties appearing before them.

It will be seen by the above facts that the drawback frauds were carried on in a very extensive and complicated manner, and the numerous persons implicated in them resorted to the most unscrupulous an unparalleled means for the purpose of robbing the Government.

THE EXAMINATION YESTERDAY.

The examination of ROBERTS MULLIGAN and JAMES CALDWELL was called before United States Commissioner OSBORN yesterday afternoon. District-Attorney PHELPS and Assistant District-Attorney PURDY were present for the Government. Mr. ANTHON appeared as counsel for CALDWELL, and Mr. QUACKENBOS for MULLIGAN. At the request of Mr. ANTHON the case of CALDWELL was postponed to afford him an opportunity for a separate examination.

REMARKS OF THE DISTRICT-ATTORNEY.

Judge HOWARD PETERSON subsequently came before the court under examination in one of a large number of kindred cases, involving a vast amount of money. He then gave a description of a drawback claim, and also explained the manner in which the frauds were perpetrated, similar to the long account recently published in the TIMES. He mentioned that drawback money was only allowed on goods exported and found sold in this country after they had been vamped, and that in order to establish the claim it was necessary to produce certain certificates and affidavits, among others, a certificate from the Custom House and Internal Revenue Office. These certificates and claim papers were made to look by fraudulent means, and were made to contain fictitious shipments of goods as genuine, thus enabling the drawback conspirators to defraud the Government in most cases the papers contained the names of fictitious firms. He said that during his investigations he found that nearly every one of the pretended certificates was antedated at a time when the claim was filed in order to make them look like old transactions. This was done in order to avoid the law of 1864, which required a bond certificate to be required prior to a new law, that the claim was filed. The conspirators subsequently added the accompanying one of the bogus claims in suit against MULLIGAN, first establishing MULLIGAN's connection with them by the testimony of three Government witnesses.

TESTIMONY OF GEO. W. WRIGHT, OF THE CUSTOM HOUSE.

The first witness called was George W. Wright, who stated that he was employed in the Custom House as a clerk. Jerome, Chas. H. Smith, under date of May 25, 1866, with the certificate purporting to be a certificate from the Custom House on the 25th of the same month, and that he had seen the original document. The witness stated that the document showed that the goods were shipped for Melbourne, Australia, on the transport of drawback papers. The witness stated that Green's name was not on it, but it contained the initials "G. T. B." He also identified another paper which the Collector or one of his deputies signed in signing his name; the certificate stated on the face that the documents had been sworn to by Richards, and that an allowance or drawback was claimed on the shipment under section No. 116, of the Tax bill, approved July 1, 1862.

THE TESTIMONY OF GEORGE A. MERCER, OF WASHINGTON.

Mr. George A. Mercer, a clerk in the Treasury Department, was next introduced as a witness. He deposed that he brought the fraudulent claim papers which had been introduced in evidence from the Register's Office at Washington; among them was an affidavit purporting to have been made before a notary public by M. Kinyon and by W. Richards, in which it was stated that the latter had paid a tax of $6,275 85 to Internal Collector Hudnutt, of the Sixth District of Kentucky, on the 18th of August, 1866, on the tobacco claimed to have been exported. Several inaccuracies were pointed out in the affidavit, aside from the fact that it was acknowledged by the Notary Public without any person appearing before him; the name of Roberts was alleged to be fictitious by the prosecuting officer in the case. B. M. Johnson & Co. were named in the affidavit as being entitled to the drawback; the $6,275 85 mentioned in the affidavit was the amount of drawback money obtained on the fraudulent claim in question. A certificate from the Commissioner of Internal Revenue was produced by Mr. Mercer, in which it was certified that B. M. Johnson & Co. had filed evidence showing that they were entitled to the claim. The certificate was indorsed with the initials "F. A. H." Witness testified that he believed the initials to be those of Francis A. Howard. Besides the papers enumerated there was also introduced the warrant of the Secretary of the Treasury, allowing the claim on the various papers which were indorsed as correct, and the draft of the United States Treasurer for $6,275 85, made payable to the order of B. M. Johnson & Co.

TESTIMONY OF W. J. KORN.

William J. Korn was called as a witness for the Government. He testified as follows: I was a clerk for R. B. Caldwell & Co. in 1866; was clerk with them from beginning of 1866 up to the Spring of 1867; had something better than salary during a part of the time; was familiar with their business; in the matter of the *Jennie* the certificate of the Collector of Internal Revenue was given to Caldwell & Co. by Charles B. Squires; it had no marks on it when I first saw it, but marks were put on it afterward, apparently in R. B. Caldwell's writing; certificate was filed in by Joseph S. Wellwood, bookkeeper of R. B. Caldwell & Co.; have seen the Custom House stamp for certificates outside of the Custom House; it was brought to our office by Samuel T. Blatchford; he brought it there several times; have seen him sign a number of certificates at our place; the affidavit purporting to be signed by one Richards, to the effect that Richards had shipped goods entitled to drawback on the *Jennie*, was made in our private office; it was not signed when it went into the office; Mulligan went into the office, and the affidavit was brought out shortly afterward, and had a signature purporting to be that of Richards on it; the signature looks like Mulligan's handwriting; I took the affidavit to a notary public, and he signed it without question; no one but the notary and myself were present at the time; the draft for the amount of drawback in the *Jennie* matter was made payable to the order of B. M. Johnson & Co.; Mr. Mulligan was the "Co." Johnson was the principal; I knew the papers in the *Jennie* and other matters were frauds at the time; the something I had better than salary was an interest in these drawback frauds; my aggregate receipts as a party to the frauds were between $4,000 and $5,000; I am now under indictment for these frauds; first divulged what I knew about the frauds about a month or six weeks ago; did it at the instance of my counsel; no inducements were held out to me to appear as a witness, but I felt that I should not suffer while others who had made much more than me were allowed to go free; Mulligan has frequently said, "What a nice thing these claims are; the Government can do nothing to prevent our operations;" Mulligan told me about few months ago that I was all right, and nothing would come of it.

At the conclusion of KORN's testimony the prosecution rested, after which the further hearing in the case was adjourned until Friday next.

ARREST OF FRANCIS A. HOWARD.

After the examination was adjourned, FRANCIS A. HOWARD was brought before the Commissioner, and was subsequently required to give bail in $10,000 to appear for examination on the charge of being concerned in the conspiracy to defraud the Government.

SINGULAR DIVORCE CASE.

A Queer Story—The Validity of Marriage—Decision of Judge Barnard.

In the suit of BEATRICE BISSELL *vs.* JOHN B. BISSELL, for a limited divorce, Judge BARNARD yesterday rendered the following decision:

This is an action for limited divorce on the ground of abandonment, under subdivision 3, section 51, article 4, title 1, chapter 8 of Part 2 of the Revised Statutes. The allegation of abandonment is not contested, but the defence rests upon a denial of the marriage. The plaintiff was examined as a witness in her own behalf, and the substance of her testimony is that she made the acquaintance of the defendant in January, 1867, while she was residing in Brooklyn with the defendant's brother and his wife in the capacity of nurse. The defendant resided at the same place, and there commenced paying attentions to her, which continued for several months, and resulted in an offer of marriage in the latter part of June, 1867, which, after some hesitation on the part of the plaintiff, by reason of the difference in social station between her and defendant, was finally accepted by plaintiff. Very soon after the engagement the deponent stated to the plaintiff that he did not believe in marriage ceremonies; that they might be legally married without any ceremony; that there were many such marriages, and he wished her to waive the ceremony. This at first she refused to do, but a series of conversations followed, during which the subject was discussed, the defendant urging his views and contending that the marriage he proposed would be perfectly valid under the laws of the State of New-York, and that they would be as validly married as if three clergymen should marry them, and as much man and wife as his brother and his wife were. The defendant's arguments finally prevailed, and about the 1st of July the marriage day was appointed. The time fixed was the 15th of July. The defendant furnished plaintiff with means to procure her marriage outfit, and, with the assistance of her married sister, Mrs. STREET, the plaintiff made her preparations for the marriage. On the 15th of July, the day appointed, the plaintiff left her sister's house, stating to her that she was going to be married. She met the defendant in New-York, and they proceeded to Central Park, where they took an open carriage, and while in the carriage the defendant produced a plain gold wedding ring, which had been made from another ring which she had given him for the purpose about a fortnight previous. He placed the ring upon her finger, stating, "This is your wedding ring; we are married." She received the ring as a wedding ring. He then said, "We are married just as much as CHARLES is to his wife, (referring to his brother and his sister-in-law.) I will live with you and take care of you all the days of my life as my wife." To this she assented, and they thereupon went to No. 116 Waverley-place, where he had previously engaged board for himself and wife. They were met at the door by the sister of Mrs. ST. CLAIR—the lady of the house—who asked if they were Mr. and Mrs. BISSELL, and the defendant answered in the affirmative. They lived there together as man and wife for about five weeks, during all the time the defendant treated her as his wife, addressed her and spoke of her as such. Sometime in August the defendant, on the pretence of having met with pecuniary losses, induced the plaintiff to go to live with her aunt until his circumstances should improve. Since then he has abandoned and repudiated her, and entirely neglected to provide for either her or his child, which was born about May, 1868. Shortly before abandoning her he induced her to sign a paper drawn by himself stating that no marriage ceremony had been performed between them. The defendant was also examined as a witness, and testified that he never agreed to take the plaintiff as his wife, but alleges that it was agreed that she should live with him as his mistress and that he should pass her off as his wife. And he alleges that he gave her the wedding ring so as to deceive other people and not excite the suspicion that she was not his wife, as he feared that if they found out in the boarding house that they were not married they would turn them out. There is no pretence that up to the time of the alleged marriage there had been any illicit intercourse between the parties. The testimony of the plaintiff is corroborated by Mrs. ST. CLAIR, who kept the boarding house, by her sister and her niece, who lived there, and who prove that before coming there to reside the defendant engaged board for himself and wife. That while there they lived together as man and wife, treating and speaking of each other as such. 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The circumstances of the case—even those detailed by him—indicate that she was a virtuous girl, and he himself testifies that at first the shameful proposals which he asserts he made were rejected by her in such a manner as to lead him to suppose that they would never meet again. The defendant now comes into Court, stating that, notwithstanding this refusal, he persisted in his infamous attempt, and finally succeeded in accomplishing her ruin; and he admits that without cause he subsequently abandoned her and contracted a marriage with another party, who, it is proved, was fully cognizant of the pendency of this action. Under these circumstances the defendant's behalf in one of its preliminary stages. And now the defendant, confessing himself capable of the depravity with which he thus charges himself, asks to be credited as a reliable and candid witness in his own behalf. 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FAT BOILING.

More About the New-York Rendering Company—Report of Dr. Harris and Action of the Health Authorities.

Yesterday a special meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Health was held, at which the following report was submitted by the Sanitary Superintendent, Dr. ELISHA HARRIS:

The Board of Health already is fully aware that its medical officers and its Sanitary Engineer are of opinion that the nuising premises and appurtenances of the rendering dock are inherently and persistently offensive to the smell, and are the sources of very offensive odors, which, at times, when the atmospheric conditions favor, are smelled and complained of at various distances and places to the leeward of the dock. I have now been able to ascertain that any changes have been made in the management and structures at the rendering dock, except in respect of a door for closing the entrance to the first boat and the tightening and partial closure of all the windows on dock of said boat. The management of police and general care of the premises remain unchanged; so, also, does the storage and landing of the "scrap," as herein described, and as particularly reported upon by inspectors in a report marked B, and hereto annexed.

As reported by me in June last, and at various other times, the causes of offensiveness and nuisance connected with the rendering dock and its appurtenances are inherent in the premises and in the business, and will not be removed or wholly and sufficiently prevented by any probable and practicable methods and means that chemistry and mechanics can devise and put in use for the present time, though possible improvements are readily and constantly suggested by all kinds of persons.

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In pursuance of the above, the Board of Health directed that the New-York Rendering Company be required to show cause at the next meeting of the Board why their permit should not be revoked.

The Coming Skating Scenes.

As the cold weather approaches the popular mind becomes more and more interested in the subject of Winter sports, and prominent among these is skating. For the benefit of all such as love the invigorating and healthful exercise, we can state that there is every prospect of the most ample facilities being afforded them for indulging in their favorite amusement, and, if all the Fairies in the neighborhood are invited out, the season will be of unparalleled brilliancy. The rink, corner of Sixty-third-street and Third-avenue, where the late Fair of the American Institute was held, is to be fitted up with accommodations for the public by the City Commissioner of Public Parks, and, if the weather is favorable, it is expected to prevent the

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The foundation of the new Baptist church at New-Haven is nearly ready for the laying of the corner stone, which will be done shortly. Eminent speakers are expected to be present.

Rev. HIRAM BINGHAM, well known as a missionary to the Sandwich Islands, died at New-Haven last Thursday at the ripe age of 80 years.

The body of German Lutherans, formerly known as the Missouri Synod has now assumed the official name of "General German Lutheran Synod of the United States and Canada." The organization embraces four particular Synods.

In Northern Italy, according to the report of a correspondent of the *Examiner*, the Catholics baptize exclusively by immersion, and have done so from time immemorial.

It is stated that in the Methodist Church last year the net increase of houses of worship was 570.

According to the *Christian Union*, the organs of the two former branches of the Presbyterian Church in Cincinnati—the *Presbyter*, edited by J. G. MONFORT, D. D., and the *Christian Herald*, edited by Rev. C. E. BAER, have united under the title of *Presbyter and Herald.*

Rev. Dr. CATTELL, of Lafayette College, now traveling in Europe in the interests of the College, when last heard from was at Gothenburg, Sweden, on the way to St. Petersburg.

The only "Gentile" preacher in Utah is an Episcopalian, the Congregational pastor not having returned since his Sunday School superintendent was murdered.

Rev. SAMUEL BROOKS, of Medway, Mass., has been chosen to fill the vacancy in the Faculty of Kalamazoo College, Michigan, caused by the death of Professor CLARK.

Rev. A. C. SMITH, of Poughkeepsie, has been elected President of the Hudson River Ministerial Association.

There are two gentlemen, each of whom will be one of one thousand to give $1,000 each for the establishment of a College or University somewhere in the West, to be under the control of the General Assembly, as a memorial of the reunion of the two branches of the Presbyterian Church.

There is a *papier-maché* church, says the *Churchman*, actually existing near Bergen, Germany, which can contain nearly 1,000 persons. It is circular within, octagonal without. The relievos outside, and statues within; the roof, the ceiling, the corinthians, capitals, are all *papier-maché*, rendered water-proof by a saturation in vitriol, lime-water, whey or the white of eggs.

The Roman Catholics are organizing in Philadelphia an association under the title of "The National Institute of America." Its object is affirmed to be "the cultivation of every species of learning, as well as every social, political and financial interest which can be rendered subservient to the cause of the Church in America." The "Institute" is to be divided into twelve schools, each giving attention to a particular branch of study. Its circular in this defined in the printed prospectus: "This academy will devote itself with unremitting zeal to the extension of Catholic ideas in the education of the people. While acting with prudence, determination and a just respect for national institutions, it will lose no opportunity of combatting the false and dissolvent educational system which is at present favored by our authorities."

Clergymen do not always get very well remunerated in Indiana. Not long ago a minister

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

New-York.

Mr. RAILBRACH, of the Five Points House of Industry, after making a thorough examination of a single block of tenement houses in the Sixth Ward, writes that he found in the block 595 families, comprising 2,527 persons, of whom 1,341 were adults and 1,186 children. Most of the families have but one room, and the aggregate amount of rent is about $80,000. There are also in the same block four large rectifying establishments, forty-nine beer saloons, two bakeries, three clothing stores, two slop shops, five provision groceries, one primary school and five brothels. There are twenty-two Protestant families in the block.

Yesterday morning THEODORE EISENFRICH, 12 years of age, who resides on the corner of One Hundred and Nineteenth-street and Fourth-avenue, while riding on the front platform of a Third-avenue car was struck in the breast by the shaft of a wagon, with which the car collided and had one of his ribs broken. He was taken to Bellevue Hospital.

The newly appointed Sub-Treasurer, Senator FOLGER, is understood to have furnished the necessary bonds for the faithful discharge of his duties, on which he expects to enter to-morrow or Tuesday. The enormous accommulation of gold now in the treasury here, amounting to about $90,000,000, is to be counted, dollar by dollar, during the next few days. Some twenty experienced counters have been detailed for the work from Washington.

Of the 750,000 pounds of butter consumed in this City every week, it is estimated that no less than two-thirds of the quantity is sold as very poor, or nearly "spoiled," and which is used only by the poorer classes. A liquid compound has just been invented and patented by parties here, which is said to preserve butter, when mixed with it, many weeks, and without injuring its quality or taste. It has been tried with success.

Rev. WAYLAND HOYT will address the Baptist Lay Preaching Association on the occasion of their first annual meeting this evening, at the Madison-avenue Baptist Church, corner of Madison-avenue and Thirty-first-street.

JOHN BLOODGOOD, broker, No. 22 William-street, acknowledges, as Treasurer pro tem. of the ten dollar Peabody Monument Fund, the receipt of $1 each from 304 subscribers.

The *Iron Age*, which was described in the TIMES some days ago, set out on her first voyage yesterday morning. She goes first to Galveston, Texas, whence she is to take 2,000 bales of cotton to Liverpool. From England she makes a long voyage, probably to Calcutta, and by the time she reaches home her qualities will have been thoroughly tested.

A course of lectures on Sunday Schools will be delivered in the Sixth-avenue Reformed Church, opposite Amity-street, on Sunday evenings, commencing this evening, at 7:30 o'clock. Rev. JOHN H. VINCENT will preach on "The Sunday School Tabernacle."

A new monthly publication, to be called *The American Colonist and Homestead Journal*, is about to be established in this City, within a short time. Copies of each edition will be printed in the two English, German, French, Italian, Swedish and Danish languages. It is to be devoted to the interests of colonists, the settlement of the country, cooperative building associations and the procuring of homesteads.

An unknown man called yesterday at the store of CHARLES ZUGALLA, at No. 39 Maiden-lane, and selected a quantity of valuable furs, in payment for which he presented a check for $420 on the Tenth National Bank, purporting to have been drawn by ISAAC F. JONES, of No. 82 Ann-street. As the customer left the goods and promised to call again for his property and change, WALTER ZUGALLA, the proprietor's son, took the check to the bank, when he was arrested, as the check was a forgery. An examination into the facts of the case before Justice DOWLING led to WALTER's release, and a search will be made for the real criminal.

The Superintendent of the Newsboys' Lodging House appeals to the public not to forget the boys under his charge on Thanksgiving Day. Last year the boys went without their dinner owing to the forgetfulness of the public. Contributions to the table can be sent to the Lodging House, No. 49 Park-place, care of C. O'CONNOR.

The Fair of the Ladies' Union Relief Association, for the benefit of soldiers' families, has been so successful that the managers have concluded to reopen the Fair to-morrow, when the articles on exhibition will be sold at a bargain.

Mr. KURTZ, the well-known photographic artist, entertained last evening his employes, in celebration of the award of the first prize of the American Institute Fair to his productions. The assemblage was gathered at 8 o'clock, and did not disperse until dawn.

Brooklyn.

The Board of Assessors have finally determined upon the amount of assessments for the improvement of Third-street and districts upon which they are to be levied. The total amount of the assessment for the improvement, with interest to the 20th of September, 1869, is $365,405 01, to which should be added $60,000 for the bridge over Gowanus Canal, already charged upon the city. Of this sum of $365,405, the Western Fire District of the city will be made to pay $95,206 54, as follows: Awards for land taken, $40,405 50; interest upon that amount and upon the $20,000 for the bridge, $26,112 96; interest upon the amount of assessment paid last year, $1,788 04. Total, $95,206 54. This will leave to be assessed upon the line of the street, viz., from Smith-street to Ninth-avenue, and thence to the city line, the sum of $267,698 97.

During the month of October 877 patients were treated at the Eclectic Dispensary, and 1,800 prescriptions were dispensed.

The Brooklyn Police made 289 arrests last week.

New-Jersey.

The hoop-skirt manufactory at No. 109 Broad-street, Elizabeth, N. J., owned by Mrs. WILLIAM CLARK, was partially destroyed by fire at 6 o'clock yesterday morning. The loss was about $1,000, which was covered by insurance in the National Fire and Marine Insurance Company, of Newark. The family of Mrs. CLARK had a narrow escape from suffocation, having been aroused fortunately, when the flames first broke out.

The manufacturers of Newark have inaugurated a movement for the opening of a course of free lectures.

A farm of 120 acres on the river road, near East Newark, has recently been sold by J. M. HOOD for $180,000.

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